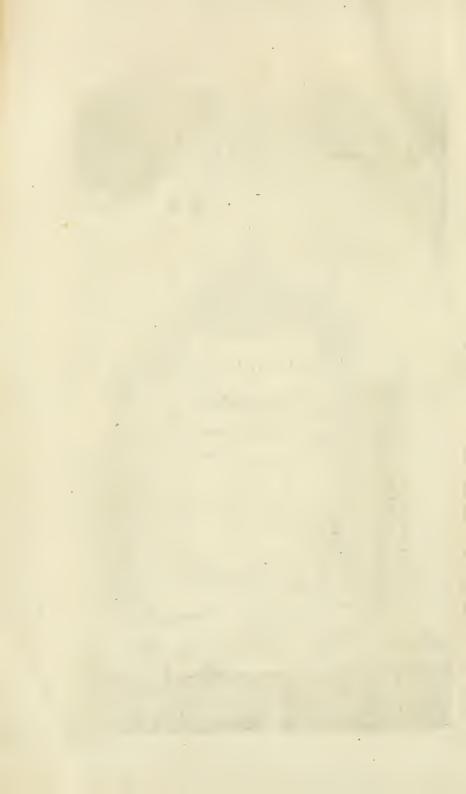


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AUGUSTUS, Earl of SUSSEX,

Viscount Longueville, Lord Grey of Ruthen,

Hastings, Wexford, and Valence.

MY LORD!

Am too well acquainted with the Progress Your Lordship has made in Knowledge and Virtue, to believe you capable of being pleas'd with Flattery; which, tho' often too charming to the first Stages of Life, and too frequently the Vice of Authors in Addresses to the Great, is, I am persuaded, an Off'ring

Off'ring abhorrent to Your LordJhip's Genius, which is too well
endow'd by Nature with those
Ennoiai peri Kaloon kai theioon
which Aristotle lays down to
Nicomachus as the Fountain and
Basis of all solid Virtue in the
Human Soul, either to want or
admit the salse Colours of groundless Eloquence to paint it more
beautiful or excellent than it really is.

But what less could be expected than a Spirit unconfin'd in its most extensive Ideas of Perfection and Native Love of Virtue, from a Descendant of those excellent Patterns of both, the late Lord Viscount and present Viscountess Dowager Longueville; of whom the Former has lest Your Lordship a most valuable Example of every Thing that can make You truly

Great and really Good; while the Other still lives (and may she continue so to do, 'till she shall be as venerable for her Years as she is now for her Piety) to be, like Minerva to Telemachus, a wise and faithful Monitor, were there any Occasion for it, to Your Lord-ship of Virtue and Religion.

What we are further to hope for from a Young Nobleman of Your Lordship's fine Spirit, improv'd by all the Advantages of good Example and most careful Education, may in part be gather'd from the prodigious Virtue of some of the Ancient Romans, who wore all the excellent Endowments and Honours of their illustrious Ancestors, improv'd by a Native Love of Glory, in themselves, and an invincible Passion for true Greatness, which enabled

enabl'd 'em almost to surpass the Bounds of Humanity, and become equally the Envy and Darlings of the Age they liv'd in.

May Your Lordship be yet more; that is, may You always be the Care and Favourite of an Indulgent Providence, leading You by Degrees to the highest Honours Your Country can heap upon You! May You live to protect Britain by Your Councils, defend Her by Your Wisdom, and make Her, as She has for many Ages been, the Terror of Nations, by Your Success in Arms: So that whether Camp or Cabinet prove Your Sphere to act in, the Good GOD may direct You to Happiness and true Glory, by maintaining the Character inherent to Your Noble Family, of being True Lovers of their Country, Friends

to Religion, and Patrons of Virtue.

Vouchsafe, My Lord, to accept the following Sheets, as an humble, tho' inconsiderable Tribute of my sincere Gratitude for Favours I have receiv'd from Your Honourable Family; and believe, how short soever they may prove of being worthy Your Protection, they have at least this to recommend 'em, that they are the Off'rings of a most sincere Respect and humble Duty, with which I am,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

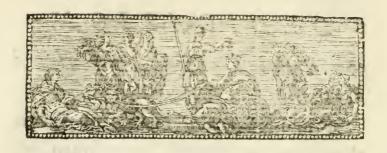
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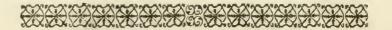
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EMBLEM I.

HERMATHENA.

HEN dawning Nature in the World's first Age,
Inspir'd by Impulse of Prophetick Rage,
Strove (too unequal to the great Design)
To draw feint Copies of the Pow'r Divine;
Conscious no Form with utmost Labour wrought
(So native Reason uncorrupted taught)
Cou'd point unbounded Entity to Sense,
Or give the Outlines of Omnipotence;
With hallow'd Wisdom she forbore to frame
Presumptuous Symbols of the awfull (a) Name;
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But for each facred (b) Atribute affign'd Some mystick Emblem to instruct Mankind: In (c) Hieroglyphick Shapes the God confess'd, And humble Faith, by erring Zeal express'd.

This Egypt from her first Forefathers knew,
Whence (d) Greece her whole huge Train of Idols
drew,

When she no more in Nature's Footsteps trod. But chang'd the harmless Symbol to a God. Hence sprang their Yove, hence Argive Juno shines, And Bacchus triumphs, crown'd with fragrant Vines, Hence Mars breaths Horror, Neptune rules the Waves, And (e) shakes the solid World from (f) Libyan Caves; Love's peaceful Charms in bright Urania thine, And wife (g) Athena guides the studious Mind. Breaths facred Lectures with instructive Art. And to Cœlestial Knowledge warms each Heart: (b) HERMES with pleasing Strains delights the Ear. Has Wit and Humour for the Young and Fair. Softens stern Wisdom's Rules with gayer Sense, Clad in fweet Numbers or strong Eloquence: From whence the wife Athenians thought it best To treat their Scholars with the mingl'd Feaft, The double Form united Vertue shews, So HERMATHENA to the World arose: Learning and Wit their flowing Streams unite. And mingle grave Instruction with Delight.

NOTES to EMBLEMI.

(a) Awfull Name — By Name here is intended the Being of Effence of God, which can't be represented by any Form; express'd by the Jews under the Name Jehovah, which they therefore term'd the

Name explain'd, the Name of the Divine Substance, &c. for that

Reason held so facred that they dar'd not pronounce it.

(b) For each facred Attribute—So Plutarch, Iamblicus, and others conversant in those Mysteries, tell us, That the Figures of Animals among the Sacra in the Ægyptian Temples were not intended as Representations of the Deity itself, but only Symbols of the Divine Attributes. Suitable whereto also they appropriated several Names to the First Adorable Being; as that of Amoun, as he is infinitely wise; Ptha, as giving Life to All; Osiris, as the most beneficent, active, All-seeing Principle; Isis, as the provident Producer of all Things; Thoth, as the Head and Beginning of all Things, &c. Which Names were afterwards impiously assume together with Divine Honours, by several of their Princes, and chang'd by the Greeks into Zeus, or Jupiter, Juno, Vulcan, Minerva, Geres, Hermes, or Mercury, and the rest; the Rationale

whereof you may see in Laertius in Stoicis.

(c) Hieroglyphick Shapes - That is, facred Sculptures, the Representations whereof they made use of instead of Writing, to delineate their Ideas of Divine Things, and their most hallow'd Mysteries. Whence that Name became apply'd to that Way of Writing, il I may fo term it, in contradistinction to their Civil or Vulgar Character. Not but that they had also another more ancient sacred Character, compar'd by some to that of the Chinese, or our Short-Hand, expressing at once whole Words, and fometimes Sentences, in which the Interiptions on the Sepulchral Pillars of Isis and Ofiris, that at Alexandria copy'd by Dr. Huntingdon, and those over the Cells adjoining to the 2d Pyramid, are thought to have been wrote: As also the Works of Hermes found engrav'd on Brick in Caves near Thebes; but that some think was laid aside, to make way for Hieroglyphicks; which may be the Reason for the Difference between Herodotus and Clement upon that Subject, the former making but two Sorts of Ægyptian Characters, the latter three, dividing those they termed facred into Symbolical, that is, by the Representation of material Forms, or Hieroglyphicks, and Kuriological, per prima Elementa, which I take to be the ancient Character above describ'd.

(d) Whence Greece, &c. — Herodotus and others inform us, that the greatest Part of the Grecian Gods were taken from the Ægyptians, by means of the Pelasgi; except Neptune, who came from Libya, where he first received Divine Honours. These Gods of Ægypt were distinguished by the Title of Dii majorum Gentium: Eight of emwere the Ægyptian Cabiri, or ancient original Deities, the other so radded by Hermes, of the Sesostrian Family; at the Return of which Conqueror from his Grand Expedicion, says Sir Jaco Nevern, Amphistion bearing him Company from Greece, brought those Gods back with him, in honour of whom Pillars and Statues were erected, say Euseb. Diodor. Clem. &c. the others ascribe the bringing of them

to Danaus.

(e) Shakes the folid World—The Ancients imputed Earthquakes to Neptune, who on that Account obtain'd the Name of Seifidhon, Eurofigaon, and Gaiaochon, that is, T. rrae quad'utor, and the like.

(f) Libyan Caves—Libya Cyrenaica, the ancient Neptuchim, that is Terra maritima, was the Country where Neptune reign'd, having obtain'd that Kingdom as his Part in the Division between himself and his two Brothers, Sesostris and Armais, or Danaus, thence said to have the Rule of the Sea: Sir Isaac makes him the same with Typhon, or Japetus, the Brother and Admiral of Sesostris, the Name Neptune being only an Epithet fignifying Maritime. See Note (d) before.

(g) Athena - A Name of Minerva, deriv'd by Plato from her Knowledge of Divine Things; and therefore properly applied to her

as the Goddess of Wisdom.

(b) Hermes - A Name of Mercury, the same with the Ægyptian Throth, the God of Eloquence, and term'd Hermes, fays Phurnutus, from his Office of interpreting or revealing Divine Mysteries to Mankind. The first who obtain'd this Name was the Uncle and Tutor of Isis says Diodorus, who is thought to have been the Author of those Books of Ægyptian Wildom which bear his Name. fecond was his Great Nephew, the Son and Secretary of Ofiris, who is the Anubis of Ægypt, and was Coremporary with Esch-cheleph, or Ascalapius, the Son of Apollo, call'd by him Asclepias in his Dialogue of that Name, he being the Person to whom we owe the Translation, and, in some Things, Interpolation of the Elder Hermes's Works, if they are his, and not much more ancient: Some ascribe the Foundation of 'em to Cham, some to Misri, some to Abraham, who we know first taught the Elements of Learning to the Agyptian Nation, and others to Moses, with whom in many Things they furprizingly agree, and who by Artaban is faid to have been named Mercury, or Hermes, by the Ægyptians. But Iamblicus says, they are the Collections of the Priests from the greatest Antiquity, under the Name of Thyoth, or Caput omnium, render'd by the Greeks Hermes, from their interpreting or revealing Divine Things.





EMBLEM II.

The FOUNTAIN of WISDOM.

A T Wisdom's facred Spring, the living Source Whence Learning's pleasing Streams derive their Course,

We drink with Joy in purest Draughts refin'd Knowledge the vital Cordial of the Mind; Food of immortal Souls, (a) Ambrofial Dews Of Heav'n's eternal Growth, (b) by Heav'n infus'd, When first th'Omnipotent Creator spoke, And Man the Form of living Nature took. No false Ideas thence in Clouds arise, But All is pure, and excellent, and wise,

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No specious Errors there abuse our Sense, But Heav'n-born Truth, like Native Innocence, Flows uncorrupted thro' the spotless Soul, And humble Faith obliterates the Fall. See where the lovely Form, Ætherial Maid, Wildom in Characters of Light array'd, Bestows the hallow'd Draught the Numen gives, The Soul that drinks the Life of Angels lives, Shall all Things and herfelf divinely know, Be bless'd Above, and great or good Below. Here the first Searchers into Nature's Laws Drank deep to find the One Eternal Cause; 'Twas these inspiring Streams (d) Hermes first taught, Beyond the narrow Bounds of Human Thought, From Earthy Forms to raise his purer Mind, And teach mysterious Truths of Forms Divine. In this Empyrean Spring 'twas Plato faw The Human Soul by an (e) Eternal Law Immortal in bright Worlds. But what are these, Or what are their imperfect Images Of Things Coeleftial, to the glorious Train Of Apostolick Saints, and that rich Vein Of Wisdom infinite, which sweetly flow'd From Truth's eternal Spring, the Mouth of GOD? There dwells all Learning, there the thirsty Soul May drink her Fill, and taste the mighty All Of Knowledge unconfin'd and Love supream, Divinely flowing in that facred Stream. There all is pure, thence Nature perfect grown, Can wing new glorious Worlds, and make their Joys her own.

NOTES

NOTES on EMBLEM II.

(a) Ambrolial Dews - This and Nectar were fabl'd to be the Food of the Gods, of a most delicious Fragrancy, as Moschus deicribing Fupiter turn'd into a Bull in his Europa, says,

His Scent Ambrofial flever in Circles round.

And Nature's Sweets from flowery Pastures drown'd. Whence the Word is frequently made use of to express the most agreeable and delicious, Sensations of the Human Soul. Tho' it's true Sense is immortal, and us'd in that Idea by Phocyllides, Pythagoras, and others; probably the Heathen took their Notion from the Fruit of the Tree of Life, of which whosoever eat wou'd live for ever.

(b) By Heav'n infus'd - This intends no more that those E'vyotox πεεί καλών κή θεων which Aristotle speaks of in his 1cth de mor. Plato terms them Divine Ideas, Epicurus Anticipations, the Stoicks Sparks of the Eternal Wisdom, and Cicero Notices of a first pure Being; in which last Sense they are admitted into Christian Divinity. and strongly afferted by Clement, Arnobius, and others of the most

learned Fathers.

(c) Herself divinely know - The highest Degree of Moral Perfection in Human Nature was held by the wifest Heathens to be the Knowing One's felf; according to that Oracular Inscription in the Delphick Temple, Nosce terplum. Which, tays Plato is the true Way to know God alto, by inspecting that which is most Divine in our own Souls and most like God, Reason and Wildom, that Solendor of the Divinity, as he terms it, in Man.

(d) Hermes - See before Note (b) to Emblem I.

(e) An Eternal Law - Plato in Tim. introduces the First Almighty Effence, telling the subordinate Spiritual Beings created by his Power, (among which are to be included the Souls of Men) that they are therefore indissoluble, because he has will'd them so to be; which therefore is a Law of Immortality upon them, which nothing but the same creating Power can ever alter or destroy.





The INFINITE ESSENCE.

HAT Glory's that, aftonish'd Nature sees, Stream from Ætherial Worlds? (a) Proud Reason, cease

Thy poor imperfect Voice; (b) tremble, O Sense, To form Ideas of Omnipotence; Of Him whose Essence thro' unbounded Space Laps round eternal Periods; from whose Face Impervious Light and living Nature flow, Light whence (c) Angelick Forms Perfection know; Whence Time and (d) Entity began to be, And all those glitt'ring Orbs which we with Wonder fee: (e) All (e) All live in him: He fills (f) Heav'n's awful Throne,

A Spirit pure, Self-perfect and unknown:
By Nature One yet All, and (g) All in One,
(b) Not by compounding Force of Union,
But (i) Act and Pow'r the fame, immensly flow
Thro'all the vast Expanse of one (k) Eternal NOW.
Hence (l) Three mysterious Unities arise,
(m) Each First but not before: The Father's Voice,
Or Word from everlasting Ages spoke,
When the immortal Wisdom Silence broke,
(Whose Depths unsearchable no Human Mind
Can thro' th'impervious Gloom of Tracks eternal
find)

In the First Act Omnipotent abode

(n) (If First can be where every Thing is GOD)

Of the Almighty Essence; as in Man

Reason with Nature, that with Life began:

So that same Act of Pow'r whom GOD we own,

(o) Was always wise, and always God the Son;

The Word immortal in the Act abode,

Who always was the (p) Father, and the GOD.

These saw with sacred Harmony and Love,

(q) A Third pure Being in their Nature move,

Th' Almighty Spirit; all as God the same,

Three sacred Persons, but One Great I AM;

Immense his Nature, and (r) unknown his Name.

NOTES to EMBLEM III.

(a) Proud Reason, cease—The utmost; says Hermes, that we can think or speak of God, is infinitely below his Purity and Persection, and the highest Praise we can give him, rather takes from, than adds to his proper Glory.

(b) Tremble, O Sense—The Words of Orpheus in one of his Hymns de Deo; where after describing the Deity in the utmost

Majesty, he makes this Apostrophe,

My Nerves all tremble,

To contemplate thy Praise, O Thou First Being!
(c) Light whence Angelick Forms, &c.—Some of the Jewish Rabbi's understand those Words of Moses, Let there be Light, as spoke of the Angelick Creation; tho' others include it in the Word Samaim, Heav'n, in the 1st v. of the same Chapter.

(d) Entity began to be - So Aristotle in his 2d de Calo, says, The

Work of God is Immortality, and Immortality Eternal Life.

(e) All live in him—The wife Egyptian in Afeletias deferibes God as the great Exemplar, Prototype and Essential Reason of all living Forms, which subsist in him and by his Power: And St. Austin in pretty near the same Sense calls him, the Supreme Origin of all Things; according to that of St. John, In him is Life, and that Life is the Light of Man. Whence the admirable Boetius, addressing himself to the Divine Being, makes use of this Expression:

Ducis ab exemplo, pulchrum, pulcherrimus iffe,

Mundum mente gerens ---

(f) Heav'n's awful Throne—So Orpheus in the Place beforeremember'd speaking of God, says,

He sits aloft, above the spangl'd Sky,

Enthron'd in barning Gold; beneath him lye

Earth, Seas, and Living Forms: With out-Gretch'd Hands

The Ocean's farthest Bounds his Pow'r commands; The Mountains shake before him, nor can bear The Weight of his Omnipotence, &c.—

(g) All in One—All Things in God are one, fays Plato in Soph. probably from that of Hermes, from whom he often borrows, Unity is the Root of all Things; and in another Place, speaking of God, he says, He has but one Idea, or effential Form, which is that of his own infinire eternal Being, by no means visible to Human Eyes, because Spiritual and Incorporeal; yet is that the great Almighty Cause of all other Forms, visible and corporeal, in the created Worlds. Whence Dionys, de div. nom. seems to derive his Notion, of all Things being included in God's Immensity, as all Numbers in an Unit, and all Lines in a Point, from which they must necessarily flow, or they cannot be. See Emb. VII. Note (b) and Emb. XXVII. Note (a).

(h) Not by compounding Force, &c. — God's Unity does not confift of Parts, but is the most abstract Simplicity which can be conceived in the utmost Purity of the Idea of Unity; Una Unitas, says Hermes,

in Pam. Idem Ipfe, fay the School Divines. There being, as the

Rabbinical System expresses it, Nothing in God but God.

(i) At and Power the same — To live and to be, says St. Austin de Trinit. are one and the same Thing in God, as he is the first and supreme Principle of Lise, in whom Essence and Existence are all one, and Intellect the same with both; so that All is One, and One is All. An Expression borrow'd from the Writings of Parmenides and Melissas, who taught the same Thing, tho' they differ'd in their Idea of what that Unity was; which Difference is solv'd by Aristotle in his Phys. saying, They could only intend by it, that which truly and properly is, and is truly and properly One; that is, says Cic. in Acad. the First pure Being. Hence the Schools define God to be Purus Atus; which tho' seemingly various, as it affects our Apprehensions in its Dispensations of Power, Wildom, Goodness, &c. is really and substantially but One in God. as God is one pure and necessary Being.

(k) One Eternal Now — Tò vũ v, says Aristotle, is a Medium, between Time past and Time to come; containing in itself the End of one and the Beginning of the other; so that nothing can be conceived in Time but a continual NOW; which is therefore the Beginning and End of all Things. By which he seems to hint a Notion of eternal Duration, wherein God is the First and also the Last, the a and a shimself has told us; consequently he may be said to exist in an eternal NOW, and for that Reason term'd by the Light of Nature, Issa.

Eternitas.

(1) Three mysterious Unities—An indivisible Unity diffuses itself thro' the whole Trinity, says Athanasius, con. Ar. and the whole Trinity without Diminution centers and is consummated in the Divine adorable Unity: And so St. Austin, writing upon that sacred Subject, says, We have Authority from God himself to acknowledge, The Father as one true God, the Son as one true God, and the Holy Ghost as one true God; and yet they are not three true Gods, but one: And so we find Nature herself delineating her First Almighty Cause in Pamander, saying, The Self-persect Mind begot another Mind, the Creator of all Things, the Word; who, together with the First, pro-

duc'd a Third, who is the Spirit of the Divinity and God.

(m) Each First but not before - This is spoke in regard to the Father's being term'd Principium Filii, which does not therefore conclude that as God he existed before the Son, but begot him of his own Essence or Substance, as the Sun emits his Rays, or a Spring its Stream. Tertullian describes the Difference between the Father and the Son. as the Father is the whole Divine Substance, the Son a Derivation of that whole Substance, and the Holy Ghost a Procession from that Derivation of that whole Substance of the Divinity; the whole Substance of the Divinity therefore cannot be before itself; tho' the Father may be first as the Father, yet the Substance is one and the same in all, eternal, and at once. So St. Austin terms the Son Principium Spiritus, and St. Basil allian, not as the Cause but Origin of that Holy Being; as that Holy Being is the Spirit of the Divine Substance, and the Divine Substance is totally in the Son; yet cannot the Son be said to be before that Spirit, which is the Spirit of that Substance wherein he exists. In which Character the Holy Ghost may be said also to be First, as the Spirit of that Substance wherein both the Father and the Son exist; yet cannot he be said to have been before that Substance, wherein himself also subsists, as well as the Father and the Son, from

whom he proceeds.

(n) If First can be - It has already been demonstrated, that no Part of the Divine Nature can be before the other; or rather, I shou'd fay, that the Divine Nature, which cannot be divided, cannot precede itself; whatsoever therefore is God, or God is, must be unconceivably eternal, and to assign any Time when it began to be, tho' in the most remote Periods of everlafting Duration, as some imagine, wou'd be to dissolve the very Idea we have of God, and introduce Mutability into the Divine Nature; which is both impious and abfurd, as arguing Impersection in that which is persect, and a Want of something in that which eternally possesses all Things, without Succession or Conversion of Property or Substance. What therefore can be First where every Thing is I AM? What can be either past, or to come, where all is present, and every Thing is GOD? that is eternal, necessary and infinite? In which Idea it feems to have been that the Ægyptians compar'd the Deity to an immense Circle, whose Center is every where and Circumference no where.

(o) Was always wife, &c.—God posses'd me in the Beginning of his Ways, from Everlasting, says the Divine Wisdom, or λόγ, in Proverbs, which Words can be no how rightly understood, but as confirming the Coeternity of the Son, or λο΄γ, there term'd Wisdom, with the Father. Athanasius, con. Ar. expressly charges, that to say there was a Time when the Son was not, is to despoil the Father of his eternal Wisdom, and make him something he was not before, that is a Father; which is a Conversion in the Divine Nature it is utterly incapable of, says Tertullian, who, tho' not always orthodox upon that Subject, yet directly afferts the co-eternal Existence of the Son with the Father, or else you make two Gods. Whereas himself has expressly told us, The Lord our God is but one Lord, that is one Jehovah; a Name, says R. Haccados, as well of him that is begotten, as of him that is begot; being the Name, says Aven Ezra, of the Divine Substance; which therefore implies the Son as well as the

Father, and both to be eternal one with the other.

(p) The Father and the God—See the foregoing Note; to which I will only add, an Expression of Athanasius in Ep. de Sent. Dion. That there never was a Time when the Father was not a Father.

(q) A third pure Being, &c. — See Note (1) to which I can't forbear adding, that of Hermes in Pwm. "There was an intellectual "Light, which produc'd an intellectual Light, from all Eternity; "the Mind proceeding from the Mind, that was Light; besides whom "there was nothing, but the Spirit containing all Things; the Bond and Unity of both: Beyond this, there is neither God, nor Angel, nor Substance, for all Things are in God."

(r) Unknown his Name, &c. - The Name Jehovah was held so facred and kept so secret among the Jews, that the Nations about

them cou'd not learn it.



EMBLEM IV.

ANGELICK NATURE.

EXT that pure Being whence all Being flows, Whence Time, created Forms and Nature rose, Angelick Life pure Excellence displays, Shining with (a) Native unpolluted Rays.

(b) Act, Pow'r and Love by Force Almighty join'd, In one bright Form, of an Ætherial Mind; Whence first dependant Entity began, And Life's prolifick Streams thro' (c) passive Nature ran;

Beam'd forth immortal (d) Light in radiant Fires, Soft immaterial Flames, and pure Defires:

The

The Acts Seraphick smiling Heav'n approv'd, They bow'd obedient to its Will and lov'd: These down to Earth Almighty Goodness (e) sends, (f) Nations and Empires to their Care commends, Some (g) Guardians of the Saints appointed here, Heirs of their Heav'n and Objects of their Care; These softly whisper to the list'ning Soul, Truths which strong Nature and her Pow'r controul; These facred Spirits facred Things reveal. Prompt us to Good and terrify from Ill; These round our Beds for ever watchful tend. And miffive Joys in peaceful Slumbers fend; These fill our Walks, each Garden and each Grove, These warm our glowing Hearts with Heav'nly Love, 'Till our few Years of painful Labours past, They bear our panting Souls to everlasting Rest.

NOTES on EMBLEM IV.

(a) Native unpolluted Rays — As having never finn'd, but keet their first State; whence Dionysius terms 'em perfect and fish'd with the Divine Wisdom.

(b) Act, Pow'r and Love—So Campanella defines the Essence of Augels, probably from the Intellectus, Potentia, & Voluntas, of the

Peripatetick System.

(c) Possive Nature - So the Stoicks taught; their two Principles

being God and Matter; the former sigens, the latter Pariens.

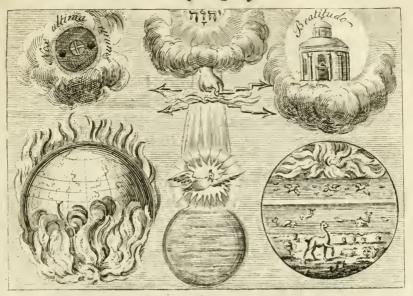
(d) Immortal Light in radiant Fires—See Note (c) Emb. III. the Term Fires alludes to the Name of the superior Order Seraphim, which the Psalmist renders Flames of Fire, Ps. civ.

(e) Goodness send - Thence call'd Angels, ab officio nuntii.

(f) Empires and Nations - See Dan. x. 13, &c.

(g) Guardians of the Saints—Positively afferted by Christ, Matth. xviii. and St. Paul, Heb. i. and universally allowed, except by the Saiducers, under the Moial Law. The Wifer of the Heather termed 'em Custodes & Condustores with nostrie; observing, says Hestod, the good and evil Actions of Men, by the Will of God. They assigned to each Person two, whom they termed their Genii, a good and a bad one, the former represented as an old Man holding a Scroll written in one Hand and pointing to it with the other.

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EMBLEM V.

Creation and Confummation of WORLDS.

HEN first the (a) Breath of Heav'n was fent Abroad,

Th'enliven'd (b) CHAOS became full of GOD;

His Power Omnipotent that Mass obey'd,

And thence these Worlds with all their Hosts were made;

Earth, Seas, and Heav'n in nitid Forms arose,

And ev'ry Starry Orb their Maker's Glory shews;

Each living Form Almighty Pow'r express'd,

And Nature's grateful Voice Thee Nature's GOD confess'd.

Tis done. -----

But fee, alas! when 'Time's last Age shall come,

All

All Nature mourns, devouring Flames confume
The burning Worlds; that, Sinner, was thy Doom:
'Till thou the Handy-work of Heav'n profan'd,
That Work the Care of Heav'n's high Hand remain'd:
But Sin once known, Guilt veil'd its Beauties o'er,
And that was Horror which was Heav'n before;
The Curse, the Deluge, and the Rage of Man,
Compleat the Ruin which the Fall began:
Vindictive Justice, thence the Lightning's hurl'd,
Which in last Times shall burn the solid World.

NOTES upon Emblem V.

(a) Breath of Heav'n—Alluding to Pf. xxxiii. 6. not as impeaching the personal Existence of the Holy Spirit, but as the Holy Spirit is the Breath of God, in the same Sense as the Eternal Son is the Word or Wisdom of God, yet both distinct Hypostases in the one Divine Nature. Which Construction is justify'd by the twofold Signification of the Word Ruah, render'd Gen. i. 2. Spirit, and Gen. viii. 1. Wind or Breath. So that by Breath of Heav'n is intended no more than the Spirit of, or which proceeds from God. The Term Heav'n being us'd figuratively, as it is still'd the Seat and Throne of God.

Th' eternal Palace, where the facred Mind

as Statius has it in Theb. shining continually with the visible immortal Shechinah or Sephiroth, as the Rabbinich System expresses it, of the Instinite Espence: From whence therefore all Emanations of Divine Glory. Power and Persection are said to come, filling our lower Worlds with the same instinite, the to us invisible, Presence; the Mani estation and immediate Esfect whereof, here hinted at, was, to use St. Bosse's Words, the incubating and ensivining the new-created Mass of Nature to the Production of all that vast Variety of vegetative and animal Forms which make up the glorious Compage of the Universe; attributed by the ancient Jewes to the Spirit of the Messah, and by the first Fathers of Philosophy to a subtil intelligent Scirit having Divine Power, which existed in the Chaos or Principia of Nature, the Colpia, or rather Col-pi-jah, Voice of the Mouth of God in Euseh pr. Ew. fr m Sanchoniutho.

(b) Chaos - From the Hebr. Cohob, or, as some read it, Cahab, to darken or offcure, which properly signifies a total Privation both of Form and Light. Moses calls it Tohu va Bohu vacuum et inave, and Darkness on the Face of the Deep; therein sollow'd by Hermes in

Pam. where he says, An impervious Darkness on the great Abyss, and Water, and a subtil intelligent Spirit having Divine Power, were in the Chaos; as also in part by Plato in his Ataxia, render'd by Ad. Junius, inconditam Congeriem; regulated and dispos'd into Form and Order by the Almighty Being, according to those Ideas of future Worlds which eternally existed in the Divine Mind. So Proclus in Parmen. Plat. No maleo's, &c.

The Father's Mind intelligent, for so
Th'eternal Council, whence all Beings flow,
Had long determin'd, issu'd from the Breast
Of high Omnipotence; from whence express
In various Forms the first Ideas slow'd,
That both the Means and End might be of God,

And Plato, if Aristobulus in Clem. Alex. judges right, both saw and copy'd from the Mosaic Scriptures, and is on that Account called by Numerius, Moses speaking Greek, and by Clement himself, the Hebrew Philosopher. From hence therefore we may have a right Conception of what Orpheus and Hesiod meant by their First existing Chaos; not the Panspermia of Democritus, whence Epicurus drew his Notion of infinite Atoms; nor the Atternal Matter of Aristotle; nor Confusion of Nature with the Divine Substance, as the Stoics held: But, First, the dark and, to us, impervious Abyss of evernal Duration, wherein God alone existed, preceding all created and material Forms, as represented by Orpheus in Clem. Alex.

The World's creating Monarch reigns alone,

and then a little further;

But my weak Sight beholds him not: His Throne A Cloud impervious hides. No Mortal Eye Can the All-feeing God, who Nature form'd, descry.

Secondly, the new-created Mass of material Nature, or Toku va Bobu of Moses; this Herm. calls Water; which Thales with the most early Greeks, thought under that Idea to be the first Principle of all Things. And Thirdly, the Power of the Divine Almighty Spirit moving upon the Face of that Water, and producing thereout all Species of living Forms, according to the Will of the Eternal Mind, the most ancient, self-perfect, sapient Love of Ortheus, mention'd by Proclus in Tim.





EMBLEM VI.

CREATION of MAN.

Around th'astonish'd Soul, too dazzling Rays For thy weak Sense to bear! Behold thy Form Unknown, with moving, living Nature warm. Arise, inanimated Earth! Extend Thy untry'd Limbs, an Arm, a Foot, a Hand, Unconscious of thy Pow'r, and half astraid, To find thy Will by astrive Pow'r obey'd. Look round and see thy Fellow-Creatures, lye Watching each Glance of thy Imperial Eye,

Thou (a) King of Nature, for whose Sov'reign Use Omnipotence itself has been profuse,
The Wealth of Infant Worlds on thee bestows,
The Terms Obedience, the Return thy Vows.
Spare but to sin, the fatal Tree forbear,
Behold the Charm, but, O! that Charm beware.
Immortal then, eternal Joys are thine,
And all thy Transports, like thy Soul, Divine.
Death's sable Gloom shall ne'er thy Life invade,
Nor Peace, nor Innocence, nor Glory sade.

NOTE on EMBLEM VI.

(a) King of Nature — That the inferior Parts of Nature were created for the Service and Use of Man, and he for the Contemplation and Enjoyment of God, is what both Reason owns, and Revelation confirms; on which Account Tully de Nat. D. calls the World the common Habitation of God and Man, who was created to contemplate and imitate the Divine Being. So Nemesius de Nat. Hum. says, All Things were created for Man, and Man for Immortality. And Lactantius gives this Reason for such Order of Providence, that Man might confess and adore his Creator; which seems the peculiar Munus of a Rational Being. And indeed the whole Voice of Antiquity universally acknowledges that the Sovereignty under God and Dominion of Nature was one consequent Effect of Man's being created after the Image of God. See Epiph. Chrysost. Theod. Herm. Plat. &c.





EMBLEM VII.

The FALL of MAN.

The Force of Nature, e'er thy Choice was gone, Whilst conscious Innocence around thee shone,

And Heav'n and Thou wer't Friends: But now no more,

For all thy fleeting Scene of Joy is o'er.
Go feek the gloomy Grove to hide thy Shame,
And barter Heaven for a Hufband's Name:
Immortal Joys no longer now are thine;
No more fair, native Truth adorns thy Mind.

The

The Serpent's now at rest, the Blow is giv'n, And Satan smiles o'er the fall'n Work of Heav'n. Thy Morning Sun, O World! is clouded o'er, The Spheres all tremble, and loud Tempests roar. Thunder, Fate's awful Voice, proclaims thy Doom, And flaming Meteors shew thy End to come. (a) Empyrean Forms, aftonish'd at thy Fall. Weeping, forget the tuneful Orbs to roll. (b) Ev'n Harmony is ceas'd: The facred Source Of beauteous Order's lost: Stars change their Course. To form new Periods, which shall one Day close With Horror on thy Crimes. O thou First Cause Of Being whence we fprang, draw the rich Veil Of Mercy o'er the Scene: Let thy great Will prevail! Poor Man is loft, the whole Creation mourns, And for thy Day, O God! impatient burns.

NOTES to EMBLEM VII.

(a) Empyrean Forms — Angelick Beings, or pure intelligent Spirits, whom the Ancients imagin'd inform'd the Spheres, as the Soul of Man does his Body, to give them Motion, calling them the Choir or Host of Heav'n, and Gods, non natura, fed honoris causa, for in the first

Sense only the Great Eternal Father is God.

(h) Evin Harmony is ceased— That there was a Harmony or Musick in the Spheres is an Opinion imputed to Pythagoras, follow'd therein by Plato and the Academicks; but Arifothe denies it, because not obvious to the Organick Senses. And indeed the true Meaning of a Harmony in Nature is, as the Der vation of the Word imports, an Aptness, Fitness, and Concinnity in every Thing to carry on the Creation to a beauteous Close, and pay their appointed Tribute of Glory to their Great Creator, which shilestophy not knowing how naturally to account for, attributed to a Sylvit or Soul of the Universe.



The EXPULSION.

Is done: The World is lost: Mourn, wretched Man,
In whom our Nature and our Guilt began;
In Tears of Blood lament thy ruin'd Race
Drove from thy native Eden, to posses
The Earth thy Sins have curs'd; condemn'd to Toils.
And thou, fair Mischief, whose too satal Smiles
Sooth'd him to Fondness, at the costly Price
Of Innocence and Heav'n; (destructive Choice!)
Obedience is thy Lot, and Mother's Woes,
The Partner of his Ruin as his Vows,
Behold,

(23)

Behold, unhappy Pair, the Tempter waits The Issue of your Crime before the Gates Of (a) Eden's burning Plains; and laughs to fee Your envy'd Nature share his Misery: Remember, your (b) first Excellence is lost, No more the Strength of upright Nature boast; Trust not frail Reason, too imperfect grown, But angry Heav'n appeale, for Heav'n still hears

But who that's Man with rigid Censure dares Condemn the Frailty his own Nature wears? Had any modern He this Adam been, And Beauty tempted Virtue thus to Sin, Wou'd he have triumph'd, fav'd Mankind's Difgrace, Refus'd the Apple, and preferv'd his Race? Be cautious then, nor Strength superior boast, For often when we think we triumph most, Nature betrays us, and the Man is loft.

NOTES to EMBLEM VIII.

(a) Eden's burning Plains - Alluding to the Cherulim with a flaming Sword, mention'd Gen. iii. 24. which some of the Rabbi's take to be piæternatural Fires, and Coruscarions all around that Region; the Remains whereof were destroy'd by the Flood, says St. Chrysoftom.

(b) First Excellence is lost - Man's first Excellence, says Moses, was being created after the Image of God; an upright Integrity of Nature, fays St. Ambrose; a Capacity of Immortality without Death, fay the Jewish Rabbi's, and Nemesius from them; and a continual Artach of the Mind to the Contemplation and Defire of Divine Objects, to which was annex'd the Dominion of Nature, says Chrysostom, agreeable to that of Hermes in Pam. 'God created Man after his own Likeness, and gave him Command over all this lower World, that he might contemplate and love the Perfection of his Goodness; but Man falling in Love with his own Perfection, instead

of God's, became entangl'd with Corpo eal Objects, and lott the Power of directing his Soul and Heart to God.'



EMBLEM IX.

The STATE of NATURE.

STRANG'D from God, and dreadful was

Of ruin'd Nature in the World's first Dawn; Reason, the (a) Shade of our Diviner State,

Imperfect Guide, when Uprightness was gone, Laments the new-fall'n Man, and mourns to see Heav'n's Image bow beneath Mortality; He, whose fair Form with Joy the (b) Angels saw, Whose Will, while innocent, was Nature's Law, (c) Impress'd with pure Ideas from Above, Rich Fount of Wisdom and (d) Diviner Love,

Become

Become (e) Sathael's Prey; his Glory's lost,
The Scoff of burning Fiends (rebellious Host)
Whence (f) chain'd to Sense, we sensual Things
desire,

And act with Joy what guilty Thoughts inspire; Brave Death's cold Hand, and nurse the fatal Cause From whence our first Anathema arose. Altars and outward Forms supply the Place Of native Piety and inborn Grace, Those Characters of Heav'n, which once we wore. Stampt on our Souls by the Creator's Pow'r. Thus the first Ages of the World were pass'd, The Curse of Nature in her (g) Crimes confess'd. Man, indolent of Heav'n, unthinking lay Beneath Sin's fable Gloom, and flept his Years away, 'Till from Empyrean Worlds rich Mercy 'rose, And Streins prophetick future Peace disclos'd, Mysterious Safety to our Race proclaim'd, And taught us first the great (b) Redeeming Name: Then sharp Repentance, with its Thorny Crown, Prepar'd Mankind to make Heav'n's Joys their own; To weep with Transport, whilst in Faith they see The End of all their Woes, MESSIAH, clos'd in Thee.

NOTES to EMBLEM IX.

(a) Reason the Shade of Diviner State — Spoke with regard to that State wherein we were created, here term'd Diviner, on account of its being after the Image of God.

(b) Fair Form the Angels— The Jewilb Rabhi's fancy'd that fo foon as God had created Adam, he call'd all the Angels round him to contemplate his beautiful Work and admire it, which they all did but Luci er, who refusing, was thrown down from Glory, for his Pride and Contempt of the Work of God.

(c) Will,

(c) Will, Nature's Law, impres'd, &c. — That is, while innocent, and under the Direction of uncorrupted Reason, which was given us to be the Guide and Director of our Will, inasmuch as it is deriv'd, says Aquinas, from the Divine Reason, which is the eternal Law or Will of God, the Participation whereof in the Rational Creature is the Law of Nature, or Natural Reason.

(d) Diviner Love — That is, Charity, or the Love of the Creator in the Creature, and of the Creature for the Sake of the Creator; which St. Paul to the Corinthians terms the greatest of all Christian

Virtues.

(e) Sathael - Adversary of God, so term'd by Chrysoftom in his

Hom. de Ad. & Ev. & de latsu Adæ.

(f) Chain'd to Sense, &c.—See Note (b) preceding Emblem. The Words of Herm. are very particular: 'Man sell, says he, from the Love and Contemplation of Heavenly Objects in generationis' Sphæram & Elementarem, vehementer amore ardescens sui.' Theod. de Prov. has something to the same Purpose.

(g) Her Crimes - Alluding to that of Gen. vi. 13.

(b) Redeeming Name - The great Pentagrammaton form'd out of the four Letters in Febovah, IHVH, and an S interpos'd in media. as the Cabalifts express themselves, whereby is form'd IHSVH, in which the two H's have the Power of Greek Heta's, and are so to be pronounc'd, Fesue; the Cause of the Letter S being interpos'd, they tell us, is to denote the Unction of the Humanity with the Divinity in Chrift, reveal'd to Adam by the Angel Raziel after the Fall; and referr'd to by Moses in that Expression, Then began Men to call upon the Name of the Lord, where the Word Sem, or Name, (abstracted from its Pronoun) consists but of two Letters, S and M, the former, a Note of Unction, being the first Letter of Samez oleum, and the laster fignifying de medio, aut de visceribus; from whence they make the Name IHSVH, Jebovah, unitsus in commiserationibus, or God accounted with Mercy. Or the Letter M, by another Cabalistick Rule, may be taken to stand for Meshab, from Mesab, Unatus, that is, Christ, according to that of Cant. i. 3. Thy Name is as Ointment pour'd forth. So that the true Sense of that Expression is, Then hegan Men to call spon God in the Name of the promis'd Redeemer, or Messiah.





The Progress of IDOLATRY.

WHAT awful Gloom is here? What folemn State

Of Mortal Ruins, Pageantry of Fate?
These Gods? Ye injur'd Heav'ns! The copy'd Forms Of (a) moulder'd Dust, the rotten Food of Worms. See (b) Hamon in the Midst, whose poor Remains The Libyan Marble hides and a small Urn contains; Or else the (c) Munmy God wrapp'd up in Spice And rich Arabian Balms, in (d) sandy Ocean lyes:

(e) Chaldean Priests first taught the hallow'd Deed To (f) Ennyalian Jove, in mystick Dance to bleed:

#Egypt

Ægypt (g) unites the Godhead to her Throne,
Engrafts the Rite, and makes the Crime her own:
In Human Form the molten Idol's cast,
And the (h) Gold Bason proves a God at last.
Thence (i) Greece deriv'd her Idol Family,
A whole Ship's Cargo of Divinity,
Gods by the (k) Dozen from Thebaic Climes
The Patriot brings; sure those were pious Times!
This (l) Trunk was Juno, that great (m) Beam was Jove,

One (n) Stone was Cybele, (o) that the Queen of

(p) Hermes a Sign-Pott, (q) Saturn an old Ram, The Godship sunk no deeper than the Name. These Athens saw, and with full Voice receiv'd, (r) Conquest had made 'em Gods, and Fear believ'd, Ambition cry'd Amen. Each (/) Island Lord Assumes a mystick Title on Record, Ægypi's lewd Race with full Consent explode, And ev'ry petty Tyrant grows a God; Tombs, Shrines and Oracles confess their Name, And (t) sportive Dæmons join'd to spread their Fame; (u) Prophetick Spirits spoke in ev'ry Grove War's doubtful Horrors, and the Will of Yove. Here long they dwelt, 'till Rome extending wide Her Arms and Conquests, bow'd the Grecian Pride; Then with lost Pow'r they left their ancient Home, And, born on conqu'ring (w) Eagles, flew to Rome: (x) Numa's Ideal Rites foon lost their Charms, Mens Eves were dazzl'd with the splendid Forms;

The Spoils of bleeding (y) Greece Rome's Freedom cost,

The Victors triumph'd, but their Faith was lost:

(2) Latium's rich Soil increas'd the hallow'd Train,

And Droves of Idols shone in ev'ry Fane:

Not Memphis' Self cou'd boast such glitt'ring Swarms,

As numerous and dreadful as their Arms:

The stately Temples rise in ev'ry Street,

A hallow'd Shrine in ev'ry Lane you meet.

(aa) Rome grew all Gods; each Day beheld some

Feast;

Each Hour was facred to some (bb) Nymph at least: The Whole was one (cc) Pantheon; while the Year Cou'd scarce contain her (dd) sacred Calendar.

Rome still is Rome, tho' Ethnic Forms no more Disguise the modern Idols they adore; Still they are Idols, and the bended Knee To painted Canvas acts Idolatry:
The Vow blasphemes, which facred Honour pays To Saints of Marble on their solemn Days; For that which forms an Object to the Sense Can never be ador'd with Innocence:
The Name, tho' chang'd from Heathen God to Saint, Destroys not the idolatrous Intent, Since he that worships what his Eye can see, Abjures the Christian Faith, and wrongs the Deity.

NOTES ON EMBLEM X.

(a) Moulder'd Dust, &c. — So Cic. in Tusc. Those who were call'd the Gods of the greater Nations, went from hence to Heav'n; for which Reason their Sepulchres are still to be seen in Greece: And on the same Account, Hermes in Acl. calls Egypt also the Holy Saut of Springs

Shrines and Temples sull of Sepulchres; that is, of those Gods who were worship'd in those Temples, whose Bodies, says Euseb. in prothe Egyptian Priests own'd they had buried in their Temples, but their Souls were migrated to the Stars, in Honour of whom the primitive Idolaters us'd to hold solemn Rites and Feasts, mention'd by the holy Psalmist in reproach of Israel, that they join'd themselves to Baalpeor, and ate the Offerings of the Dead: So Ninus did, and erecked a Pillar to his Father Belus, by the Name of Baal-aritz Domini pravalidi, mistaken by the Greeks for their Ares, or Mars; so Naborassand did at Babylon to his Father Pull; so the Egyptians to Isis, Osiis, &c., and the Greeks to Aphareus, mention'd by Theocritus.

(b) Hammon - Generally taken to be the Image of Jupiter Belus. or the rgyptian Saturn, in Form of a Ram, fer up by his Son Bacchus, or Ofiris, on his Return from his Libyan Conquests, when being in great want of Water, he met a Ram, who led him to a Spring in that Place, where he afterwards built this Temple, and fet up this Idol, fo tamous for its Oracular Predictions, in Honour of his Father Ammon: But others think it was not in Shape of a Ram, but a Man with a Ram's Head, or rather with a Helmet on, having Ram's Horns at the Temples, as we see depicted in some antique Figures, which I take to be the Sense of Lucan, the Ram's Horns being the Hieroglyphick of Strength. And Athenodorus in Clem. mentions the fetting up an Image ro his Ancestors Osiris and Apis by Sesostris, who was the Egyptian Bacchus, on his Return from his Grand Expedition to Greece. Nonnus in Dion. tells us, that Baal, or Belus, the Libyan Ammon. Atis of the Nile, and Saturn, or the Affrian Jupiter, were the fame; and from the Statues of the Sun thrown down by Josiah, being term'd Chambanim, from Chamba, Sol, Ardor, from whence the Word Hammon is very eafily form'd; which, Suidas fays, is the Signification also of the Name Ofiris: It appears very probable, that they and Ofiris were the fame also, and all intended as Images of the Sun; fo that Baal Hammon may properly be term'd Justier Ardens, unless you will make it relate to the Amoun of lamblichus in Emblem I. Note (b). Near this Temple stood the Fountain of the Sun.

(c) Mummy God—Alluding to what was faid in Note (a) of the Bodies of their Deify'd Kings remaining in their Temples, preserv'd with Gums and Spices, as others in the Catacombes, and formerly in

the Pyramids, which are the true Mummy.

(d) Sandy Oceans — Libyan Defarts, whose loose Mountains of Sand are carry'd by the Winds from Place to Place, like Waves of the Sea, overwhelming Travellers, Caravans, and once the whole Army of Cambyses, says Herodotus, going to burn the Temple of Ammon. The Remains of such Destructions there, are mention'd by Lucan.

(e) Chaldean Priests — Alluding to the first idolatrons Rites being instituted in Chaldea, or Sennaar, where Josephus from Hesiaus tells us, the Priests of Jupiter Ennyalius, having escap'd the Destruction of Mankind, came and brought the holy Rites with them, which I take to intend the Colony under Cham and Nimrod, who had at first the Rites of the true God among them; but soon degenerated, and set up Pillars to Baal, as has been already mention'd, perverting the Worship of the true God to the superstitious Ceremonies of Baal

Baal and Omorcha, or rather Baal Omorcha, Deus Inundationis, from whence the Greek Word Ennyalius seems to have been form'd, Apotou ennuontos tæn orgæn autou en alos, from pouring out his Wrath in a Flood; thence term'd Deum, five Spiritum, intelligentem

Marinum.

(f) Ennyalian Jove—See preceding Note. The Greeks mistook him for Mars Sylvanus, as Macrob. Plut. and Sigon. testify, whom the Lacedæmonians kept bound, that he might not depart from them. Dion. Hal. thinks the Sabins, and from them the Romans, had the same Notion of this Deity, under the Name Quirinus, that he was either Mars, or some other who had like Honours and Rites paid him as Mars had; the Error arising, as I imagine, from the Greeks confounding the Baal Aritz Dominus pravalidus, to whom Ninus erected the Pillar, with their Ares, or Mars, from the Affinity of Sound, whom they therefore supposed to have been the most ancient God of the Chaldees, as this Ennyalius was, applying at the same Time the Name of Ennyo to the Sister or Wise of Mars, as the Chaldees did that of Omorcha to the Sister or Wise of Pelus, whom they worship'd with bloody Rites, probably like those of Baal's Priests on Mount Carmel, mention'd in the 2d of Kings. But Homer rightly calls him Zeus, that is, Jupiter Ennyalius.

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(g) Ægypt unites, &c. — See Notes (a) and (b), also Emblem I.

Note (b). From hence arose the Theoi patrooi, Paternal Gods of the Egyptians, consisting chiefly of the eight Cabiri, or great and ancient Gods, Sons of Misri, and sour of the Sosostrian Family, added to 'em by the younger Hermes, making the twelve Gods of the greater

Nations.

(b) Gold Boson — Amosis rebelling against Apries, King of Egypt, was resus'd to be acknowledg'd as King, says Herodotus, 'till prevailing on the People to worship a little Golden Idol he made of a Bason us'd before to wash Hands in, he argu'd from thence, that there was as much Reason for receiving him as King, who was formerly a mean Subject, as for owning that to be a God which was before only a Bason to wash Hands in.

(i) Greece deriv'd, &c. — See Note (g), and Emblem I. Note (d). (k) By the Dozen — The twelve Dii majorum gentium, referr'd to in Note (g), receiv'd by the Amphistionick Council from Egypt, and

an Altar erected to 'em, mention'd by Herodotus.

(1) This Trunk was Juno, &c.— The original Heathen Gods, says Clement, were Pillars and Columns, intimating thereby, that no bodily Representation could be m de of the Divinity, of which he mentions several; as one of Bacchus; another, or rather several others, of Juno; one of Apollo at Delphos, &c. which they term'd Xoana, or Representations of the Detty by living Forms: But I rather take the true Xoana to have been the first Images in Human Form cut out of those Pillars of Wood or Stone to the Waist, all below that remaining as before, of which Kind the twelve Egyptian Gods are supposed to have been, when sirst brought to Greece; which when asserwards improved to entire Human Forms, with Legs, Wings, &c. and some made automatous, or self-moving, like the Tripods of Vulcan, as mention'd by Arisotle de pol. were term'd Dædala, from Dædalus,

the first Inventor of such Kind of Machinery, the Occasion, probably, of the Lacedamonians settering their Ennyalius, as mention'd before, that he might not run away, as Plato hints in Menone about such Kind of Statues.

(m) This Beam was Jove - See preceding Note.

(n) One Stone was Cybelle—Livy affires us, that the Image of the Pefinuntian Cybelle, when brought to Rome, was only a great Stone. Sacer Latis is the Term he gives it. Besides which the Romans had a Jupiter Lasis, which I take to have been the Simulachrum Fidei, represented by Blondus as a great square Stone, from the Top whereof issu'd three Heads, one of a Man intending Honour, the second of a Woman intending Truth, and the third of a Child intending Love.

(o) That the Queen of Love—Venus Urania, worshipp'd by Arabians under the Name of Alilat, as Bacchus was under that of Dusares, or Ourotalt, as Herodotus calls him; the Symbol of the former was a great square Stone; and that of the latter a Cone, which was preserved by Syrians at Antioch, who pretended it sell from Heaven. The Word Dusares seems to be a Corruption of Zeus Arits, the Affrian Baal, as mention'd in Notes (a) and (b), by which most agree they meant the Sun, as Symbolically representing the one Almighty Being, who sees,

governs, influences, and enlivens all Things.

(p) Hermes a Sign-Post — The Greeks in Cross-ways us'd to set up Trunks with three, sometimes sour, Heads, one pointing to each Road, in Nature of our Cross-posts, which were term'd Quadrati Hermetes, having neither Legs nor Arms, and in Reproach Cylloi, that is, lame Gods; and from them a good-for-nothing Fellow is by Demetrius Phalarcus term'd a Quadratus Hermes: Hence Hermes, or Nercury, obtain'd the Title of Enodius, as presiding over the Highways; and Diu Taith, or Teutates, that is, the God of Travelling. Livy speaks of one of these standing on an Eminence ne r Carthage in Africa by that Name. These were the Statues, Numbers whereof being erected in Athens, Alcibiades threw down; and much of the same stamp was the Statue of the Cyllenian Mercury, whether so call'd a Monte Cyllenio, or that still from these Cylli, mutilated I runks, I won't pretend to determine; but Herodotus makes the Pelasgi the still Inventors of 'em, who were originally an Egyptian People, and taught the Athenians to make them.

(q) Saturn an old Ram - Herodotus says, his Statues both in the Temples of Thebes and Libya had Rams He.ds. The Occasion of

that Symbol is mentiou'd before in Note (b).

(r) Conquest made 'em Gods - They being receiv'd by Greece soon after Sessifiris's Conq est of Argus, and other Parts thereof, in his

grand Expedicion.

(f) Each Island Lord — As Minos in Creet, Thoas in Lemnos, and many more on the Continent also, who affumed Divine Honours, in Contempt of the Fayetian Muthology, and so obtained the greater Authority over their Subjects, says Clement.

(t) Sportive Damons — That whatever was prodigious or præternatural in the Gentil System, was not only attributed by them to the Power and Sagacity of subtle, intelligent Spirits, whom, for their great Knowledge of Things, they term'd Damons, that is, Valle Scientes, but but own'd also by us so to be, jubente aut permittente Deo, is evident from the Writings of the wisest and most judicious both Christians and Heathens, as Hermes, Plato, Herodotus, Cicero, Plutarch, Porphiry, Iamblicus, Cyprian, Tertullian, Lastantius, Austin, Isidore, Theophylast, Ficinus, Aquinas, and many more: Nay, even the Sacred Scriptures themselves attest it; and the Mosaie System, excepting in that Atheistical Sect the Sadducees, universally acknowledg'd it, as may be seen in the Works of their most ancient and most learned Rabbi's.

(u) Prophetick Spirits—See preceding Note. These Spirits, says Isidore, have a sar greater Knowledge of Things than Human Instrmity will permit; so also says Origen; and partly by their Penetration, partly by Experience, and partly by Revelation from the Angels, thro' Divine Permission, know and reveal Things strange and surprizing to Mankind. What these Spirits are, that which attended the Oracle of Apollo in Lastantius consesses, saying, He was one of

those Demons who continually traverse both Heaven, that is the Air, and Earth, under the Scourge of God.

(20) Conqu'ring Eagles - The Roman Enfigns, said to have been

first born by Marcus in the Cimbrian War.

(x) Numa's Ideal Rites—He was, says Livy, Author Divini Juris, among the Romans, and forbid any Representations of the Deity, thinking, with Pythagoras, it was Sacrilege to represent that pure Being by material Forms or Images, which were banish'd the Roman Temples 170 Years, says Plut. in Numa; therefore the Sacra, he taught, are term'd Ideal Rites, as they requir'd God to be worship'd

pura mente, as Cato expresses it.

(y) Bleeding Greece—Intending as well Greeia Magna, or Calabria, in Italy and Sicily, both Peopled by Greek Colonies, as proper Greece; from whose conquer'd Cities the Romans brought most of their Idols, insomuch that Rome was all Gods, when burnt by the Gauls, as Camillas in Livy, disseading the People from leaving its Ruins, alledges, saying, It was hallow'd by continual Auguries and Invocations of the Gods, there being no Place in it but what was full of their Worship, nor no Day unconsecrated by some holy Rite.

(z) Latium's rich Soil—The Country about Rome, so call'd

(z) Latium's rich Soil — The Country about Rome, so call'd a latendo, strom Afterius, or Saturn's concealing himself there from his Son Minos, or the Cretan Jupiter, under the Protection of Janus, King of the Aborigines, approugenores, a Race of Mountain

Troplodytes that liv'd in Caves.

(aa) Rome green all Gods - See End of Note (y).

(bh) Nymph — These were a lower Rank of Deities, whom the Heathen worship'd by Dozens and Fisties at a Time; of these were two Kinds, the Uraniæ, om Heavenly, and the Melisse, or Terrestrial: Among the sormer they reckon'd the Hyades, Pleiades, and Calestial Sirens, or those Platonic Beings who Antiquity sancy'd had the Chargeof rolling the Spheres, and were the Authors of their Harmony. The Terrestrial were divided into Oreades of the Mountains, Dryades of the Woods, Hamadryades of the Groves, Lemoniades of the Fields and Meadows, Napaæ of the Fountains, Naiades of the Sreams, Vereides of the Sea, and several more, to she Number of three thouland,

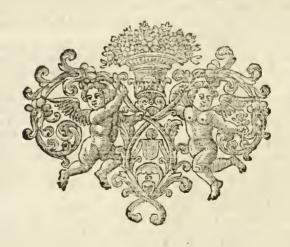
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thousand, according to Hessal, but confin'd by Virgil to two hundred. They were call'd Nymphs, because aci neai phainontai, they appear always young, on which Account Oil and tioney were always offer'd 'em, thence call'd Melista, some of 'em having first sound Honey in Creet; or rather from their being look'd on as the Authors of Gaiety and Pleasure.

(cc) Pantheon — A round Temple in Rome, built by Agrippa to all the Gods, like that Altar in Attica, mention'd by Herodotus, to the twelve Gods majorum Gentium, which some take to be the Dir Consentes, Yove's Privy Counsellors, of the Roman Muthology, and

to whom they confecrated the twelve Months of the Year.

(dd) Sucred Calendar — The Indigitamenta, or Pontifical Registers of the old Romans, wherein the Names of all their Gods were recorded, and the Occasion of 'cm, of which there was at least one for every Day in the Year, says Camillus in Note (y); called Indigitamenta, from the Indigites, or Theoi patrooi of the Roman Nation, that is, Paretnal Gods, born and canoniz'd amongst'em, as Livy mentions of Aneas by the Name of Justice Indiges.





EMBLEM XI.

PANDORA; or, FATAL CURIOSITY.

Intus Spes sola remansit.

LD Hefiod fings in manly Strain,
But (a) Poets Songs are often vain,
How, born by Pallas to the Sky,
(b) Deucalion's Sire, with envious Eye,
Leer'd at Sol's burning Chariot Wheels,
And thence (c) Olympick Virtue steels;
The flaming Spark he bears away
To Earth, and warms his (d) plastic Clay:
Enliv'n'd Matter quickly mov'd,
The wondrous Image breath'd and lov'd.

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No sooner was the Secret known,
That the new Form cou'd go alone,
But Mercury, the nimble (e) Post
Of Heav'n, did thus Great JOVE accost:

Hail, mighty Monarch! As I came
This Morning from Cyllene's (f) Fane,
To bring your Majesty the News
How Men your Favours still abuse,
Bending tow'rds Egypt's Plains, I slew
Those (g) primogenial Fields to view,
When I beheld proud (h) Japhet's Son
A new Creation had begun,
At your immortal Pow'r aspir'd,
And stole the (i) everlasting Fire.

Here Hermes ceas'd, and FOVE arose, The scorching Bolt in Anger throws; But e'er he struck the fatal Blow, Call'd up lame Vulcan from Below, Commands him, ftor'd with ev'ry Grace, To form a fweet Angelic Face, Lovely as Venus, with the Pride Of his own (k) fair Ætherial Bride; Wife as Minerva, with the Voice Of (1) Syrens, or Italian Boys; With Skill to touch Apollo's Lyre, And Hermes' Tongue the Soul to fire; With foft perfualive Arts to move, And all th' Artillery of Love. The limping Deity obey'd, And foon a modern Beauty made,

Such as of late at ---- was feen, With lovely Looks and charming Mien: Then from the various Gifts she shar'd. Her Name PANDORA was declar'd: But not her Face alone with Charms. Her Hand with mystic Box he arms; A thousand Plagues of various Kind, Some for the Body, some the Mind, By hard Decree, the Casket held. But Hope at Bottom lay conceal'd. No fooner form'd, but down she springs To Earth; young Cupid lent her Wings; Bearing her fatal Box, to be The Bane of this new Progeny. Scarce had she touch'd our Atmosphere, And breath'd the Caucasean Air, But in a curious Fit she broke The facred Seals which clos'd the Lock; The pregnant Casket open flew, And out a thousand Mischiefs threw; Death in all various Shapes she saw, Sickness, and Perjury, and Law, False Vows, Hypocrify, and Pride, War, and a thousand Ills beside; Which spread like Lightning thro' the Air, And fill'd the World with Pains and Care, Tears, Sorrows, flighted Love, and black Despair. Th'affrighted Maid, with trembling Hand, Seeing faint (m) Hope was at a stand, Pruning his Silver Wings for Flight, Snap'd down the Lid and stop'd him quite.

So when for Man's first Crime we lay,
Accurs'd by Heaven, th'Apostate Angel's Prey,
Death with its Purple Train ensu'd,
And Man was every Thing but good:
Hevah the fatal Poison spread,
And curs'd the primal Marriage Bed;
Dissu'd to longest Tracks of Time
The Curse, the Punishment, and Crime.
Then had we lain for ever lost,
And Sin the Price of bleeding Nature cost,
Had not fair Hope to poor fall'n Man remain'd,
And Heav'n, that last Resource, to save our Race retain'd.

NOTES to EMBLEM XI.

(a) Poets Songs vain - So Hefiod in Theog. ad init.

(b) Deucalion's Sire - Promotheus, fabled to have form'd an Image of Earth, to which he gave Life by touching it with Coelestial Fire.

(c) Olympic Virtue—Fire, the first active Principle, call'd Olympic, that is, shining with Light, as supposed to be derived from Heaven, as its everlasting Source; thence by the Hebrews call'd Shamaim, or Aish maim, Fire and Waters: This Democritus thought the Substance of the Soul, giving Life to the whole Man.

(d) Plastic Clay - Image form'd of Earth.

(c) Mercury, Post of Heaven—So term'd by Orph. ad Mus.

Angelum calestem, Praconema; Deorum; and by Hestod celerem

Deorum Nuntium.

(f) Cyllene's Fane — See foregoing Emblem, Note (p).
(g) Primogenial Fields — See Emb. I. Not. (c) (d) (b). This so alludes to the Affectation the Egyptians had of being thought to

also alludes to the Affectation the Egyptians had of being thought to possess the most ancient Seats of Mankind; whence they derive the Dynasties of their Gods, from an Original whose Era exceeds the Age of Nature, were it not corrected by reducing it to shorter Periods than the Sun's annual Course.

(b) Japhet's Son — Japhet, or Japetus, was one of the Titans, and Brother of Oficis, who debauching his Wife Clymene, (probably the Mother by him of Phaeton) occasion'd those bloody Jars between

them, which ended in the Destruction of both.

(i) Everlasting Fire — So call'd by Virgil,

—— et manibus vittas, Vestamq; potentem, Æternumq; adytis, esfert penetralibus Ignem. Some think they gave it the Name of Vesta, quasi aist-ja, the Fire of God, which was never suffer'd to go out in the Temple of Jerusalem. But the Chaldees worship'd Fire long before, and gave the Name of Ur to their Chief City from thence, from which Abraham escap'd to So Camillus also in Livy terms the Vestal worship the Living God. Fire, Æternos vestæ ignes.

(k) Fair Ætherial Bride - Juno.
(l) Syrens - See Emb. VII. Not. (b), and Emb. X. Not. (bb). But the most common Acceptation of the Word is for the three Musical Daughters of Achelous and Terpsichore, or, as Servius has it, Calling. who being present, says Ovid, at the Rape of Prosergine, were, in Compassion to their Grief for the Lots of her, turn'd into Mermaids. who haunting first the Sicilian and then Caprean Coasts, by their Melody invited Passengers on Shore, and Julling them afleep with Pleasure, kil.'d 'em; but being resisted by Ulysses, says Homer in Odys. drown'd themselves, from one of whom, nam'd Parthenope, bury'd where Natles now stands, that City took its original Name Parthenopeia, Tays Strabo.

(m) Hope - By Theognis is (probably from hence) term'd sola Dea bona viris; for that when all the other Gods and Goddesses were re-

turn'd to Heaven, she only stay'd behind.





EMBLEM XII.

No FATE above VIRTUE.

LD (a) Hermes taught, three thousand Years ago,
That Starry Orbs rul'd our dark World below;
(b) Aerial Forms in ev'ry Sphere confines;
This mourns in Saturn, that in Venus shines;
One rides a Sun-Beam, t'other mounts a Star;
Some sooth to peaceful Arts, some call to War.
Plato from hence, and (c) Pythagorean Dreams,
Rapt to Ideal Worlds, his System frames:
Each Planet holds some (d) fall'n Angel's Seat,
Doom'd there to pass his (e) Teletary State:

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Abstracted Nature with such Art refines,
He almost leaves Intelligence behind.
The Soul affrighted at his aery Host,
Flags her dull (f) Wings, and 'midst Abstraction's lost.

This Aristotle found, and in a Rage
Drove all Platonic Beings off the Stage.
Zeno to Fate immortal Power affign'd,
Scarce conscious of the one Almighty Mind.
Let Nature then on Nature's Laws debate,
And hold a blind Necessity in Fate,
We, wifer grown, from a Diviner Ray,
Enjoy the Lumen of a brighter Day;
The Human Soul to nobler Joys extend,
Thro' Faith to Virtue, thence to Glory tend;
By sacred Prudence form'd, from Rules Divine,
Triumph o'er Nature, and Fate's Power confine.

NOTES on EMBLEM XII.

(a) Hermes - See before Emb. I. Note (b).

(b) Aerial Forms — See Herm. Jatromath. ad Amon.
(c) Pythagorean Dreams — See Diog. Laer. in vit. Plat.

(d) Fallen Angel-See Emb. VII. Not. (a), and Emb. X. Not. (r) (u).

(e) Teletary State - See Emb. XV. Note (b).

Lunus and Luna in the Cut—The Sun and Moon, or, as some think, the Æstival and Hyemal Sun, whom the Palmyrians, and also the People of Gabala, worship'd under the Names of Heliogabalus, or, as the old Palmyrene Inscription has it, Aglaibolus, and Malak Belus, brought by Aurelian the Emperor to Rome, where is a Basso Releive of them in the Gardens of Farnese, a Copy whereof we see in Mr. Wright's Italy.



EMBLEM XIII.

PIETY.

OW lovely, yet how awful, is that Form!

How fweet the Influence! How strong the Charm!

Hail! facred Harbinger of Heavenly Rest;
Of Virtues, hail! thou Greatest, and thou Best:
Thy Heart slies upward to the Realms Above;
Thy Voice is Prayer, and thy Soul pure Love:
Truth's hallow'd Symbol, in its native Sphere,
Shines in thy glowing Breast; Devotion there
Burns like rich Incense, or the (a) Vestal Fire,
Type of Seraphic Flames, and chast Desire.

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No glittering Toys, which weaker Minds adore, No Joys of Greatness, nor no Charms of Pow'r, Draw thee from Heav'n. Thee Guardian Angels tend,

Patron of Widows, and the Orphan's Friend. Thee the First Being loves. The first form'd Pair Had ne'er lost Paradise, hadst thou been there: The Lofs of Thee our ruin'd Nature cost, Immortal Excellence and Virtue loft. Long wer't thou banish'd; but at length return'd On peaceful Wings; Nature no longer mourn'd, When she first saw thee make thy great Abode In the bleft Bosom of a suffering God: Thence in Ætherial Streams deriv'd on Man, By Thee the World's Redemption first began: Th'enlighten'd Universe from Death arose, And Martyrs flaming Crowns by thy Persuasion chose. In Thee restor'd Heaven's Image stood confest, The Guide and Glory of the Human Breast, And Earth and Nature were again at Rest.

NOTE to EMBLEM XIII.

(a) Vestal Fire—See Emb. XI. Not. (c) and (i). The Persians preserv'd it on an Altar like a Hearth in the Temple of Xiz in Media, where the Magi pretend Zoroaster, their Founder, plac'd it. The Greeks call'd it Hesteia, and kept it on Pyrethias, or Altar Hearths, in their Temples; as did the Romans, under the Name of Vesta, committing it to the Charge of six Virgins, call'd Amata, from the Name of the first, whose Business was to keep it always burning.



EMBLEM XIV.

PRAYER.

PRAY'R is the Groans of Nature in Distress, The Door of Mercy, and the Voice of Peace: Who prays in Hope, the facred Accents rise, Like hallow'd Incense, Love's best Sacrifice: The pious Heart with Heav'nly Transport burns; The Soul with facred Pangs her Impersection mourns: Faith wings Desire, Almighty Mercy hears, And peaceful Joys succeed the slowing Tears. But see thou hear thyself, else all's in vain, The Pray'r unheard returns unheard again.

Attention gives it Force. The careless Saint Like Parrots prays, (a) unknowing what they want, Where the Thought's absent, there is no Desire; The Incense cannot burn without some Fire. Let the Heart pray, then Heav'n will furely hear; Not Sound, but (b) true Devotion makes the Pray'r. So the first Saints and burning Martyrs pray'd: So CHRIST with painful Strains his Off'ring made; Pour'd forth with facred Fervour all his Soul, While the big Purple Drops down his blest Temples roll'd

So 'fudah's Royal Penitent we find Inflam'd with nervous Accents, while his Mind Soar'd to immortal Worlds, and left Mortality behind.

NOTES to EMBLEM XIV.

(a) Unknowing - Here us'd only for not knowing, as in that of Mr. Dryden, in his Character of his whistling Clown, That he pass'd

along, unknowing what he fought.

(b) True Deverion - So the Dictates, not only of Revelation, but Reason and Nature also, teach us, that what we offer to God should be pure, holy, and sincere, with the whole Powers of the Soul, as Itefied directs his Brother in performing his Morning and Evening Sacrifices: And so Philemon says, "When you facrifice, put not on a splendid Garment, but a Heart shining with Justice, conscious of " nothing that may offend God, &c." Adequate whereto is that of the Stoic School, as given us by Laertius 'That the Worshipers of Ged should be pure, and deteit Sin, &c.' See Emb. XXV. Note (a).



EMBLEM XV.

P H A E T O N.

OVID, whose Song charms all our Youth, Had Fancy been adorn'd with Truth, The sweetest Bard that struck the Lyre, Tells, how once Phæbus lent his Fire To fair (a) Clymene's lovely Son, One short diurnal Course to run, Enliv'ning Nature, in his Room, While he carous'd with Friends at Home. The Youth in Rapture seiz'd the Reins, Drives over Mountains, Seas, and Plains,

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Loses the bright (b) Ætherial Way,

And gilds untrodden Worlds with Day. No more the footy Æthiop glows, Nor cold (c) Cimmerian Realms are froze; Chilis' fcorch'd Sons forget to mourn, And the tall Pines of Scythia burn. The flacken'd Rein (d) Eous finds, Fierce Phlegon scents th' (e) Etesian Winds. The Youth no more the Steeds obey, But wide from the (f) Ecliptic stray; With burning Hoofs the Æther tread, And flart to see (g) Medusa's Head: Down (b) Cancer's Precipice they fly, Where Souls in Troops forfake the Sky, As Plato first from Hermes taught, And puny Wits from them have wrote; 'Till to our Atmosphere he came, And fet our (i) Planet in a Flame. JOVE, when he faw what Work he made, Of all the other Orbs afraid, Thunder'd the Whipster at a Blow Down to the flaming Worlds below. So have I feen a fmart young Blade, His faving Father newly dead, Blaze through the Town, by all carefs'd, And turn a perfect Man of Tafte: His shining Heaps of old Moidores, Like younger Sons, turn'd out of Doors; His purchas'd Mansions fly apace Before the Magic of Duce-Ace:

Champain, and Burgundy, and Claret,

Is the great All he would inherit,

Mingl'd with Love's delightful Scenes, Ridotto's, Balls, and Harlequines: 'Till Health destroy'd, and Fortune gone, He dies with Grief to see himself undone.

NOTES on EMBLEM XV.

(a) Clymene's Son - Phaeton, fabled to be the Son of Clymene and Sol, but in Truth of Ofiris and Isis, (Ofiris, in the Egyptian Tongue, fignifying the Sun) otherwise term'd Pheton and Horus; whole untimely Death by Zerah, the Æthiopian, on the Banks of Nile, after a short Reign of ten Years only, happening soon after a great Conflagration, perhaps by the Irruption of Vefuvio, and some other Vulcano's in several Parts of Italy, seems to have given Birth to the poetic Story, uniting those Incidents together; for that Phaeton's Death happened not in Italy, but Ethiopia or Egypt, we learn from Theophrastus, who, according to Sabellicus in his Enneads, affirms that Phaeton's Shrine and Oracle remain'd long after in that Country: So the Egyptian Priests are charg'd by Plato in Timæo to have told Solon, that the story of Phaeton was grounded on a real Fat, the Memory whereof was preserv'd by them in their Sacrea Monuments. And the whole Voice of Chronology places this Event very near, if not coincident with, the Time of Ohris; whose true Place in the Egyptian Annals is judiciously demonstrated by Sir Isaac Newton in his History of ancient Kingdoms amended, where he proves him to be the same with Sefostrit and Shijbac. Apollodoras makes Phaeton to be the Son of Tithon, the Son of Laomedon, and Brother of Priamus, King of Troy; whom Bacchus, or Ofiris, carry'd away Captive into Egypt, in his Return from his Grand Expedition, and marry'd him to his Neice Aurora, by whom he had Phaeton, or Æmatheon, and Menmon, or Amenophis, King of Egypt.

(b) Ætherial Way — A Line cutting the Zodiae lengthwise exactly in the Midst, and under which the Sun invariably moves; therefore term'd his Course, Way, Orbit, &c. It is also called the Ecliptic, because either the Conjunction or Opposition of the two great Luminaries under it, when in the Nodes, produces an Eclipse; the former of the Sun, by the Interposition of the Moon's Body between that Planet and us; the latter of the Moon, by the Earth's interveening

between it and the Sun-

(c) Cimmerian Realms — The Cimmerii, according to Tacitus, were one of the three Scythian Tribes, whom Strabo and Mela place about the Lake Maotis and Northern Shores of the Euxin Sea, thought by the Ancients, from their Northerly Situation, to be Strangers to the Sun, involv'd in perpetual Frost and Darkness, thence call'd Cimmerian, or Hibernian; so Horace gives the Epithet gelidi to the Scythian Tribes, Quis gelidum Scythen, &c. on the same Account.

(d) Eous

(d) Eous — One of Sol's Chariot Horses in Ovid, signifies string with Light, and represents the Time between the Sun's first Rising and Meridian Heats, as Pyrois, flaming, does Sun Rise, Æthon, glove-

ing, Noon, and Phlegon, ruddy Fire, the Setting Sun.

(e) Etefian Winds—Our Mariners call them Monfoons, and Trade Winds, and AGellius Prodromi, rifing with the Dog-Star, and blowing between the Tropics continually during the intemperate Heats of that Season. from one Part of the Heavens. Seneca thinks their providential Use is to cool and refresh Nature at that Time. Etesian signifies Annual, as returning every Year at the same Time.

(f) Ecliptic - See above Note (b) Atherial Way.

(g) Medusa's Head—Call'd also Caput Algol, a malevolent Star in the left Hand of Perseus; which superstitious Astrology fancies shall be one of the physical Agents in burning the World, as the watry Constellations were, jubente Deo, of drowning it. See Olympiodorus, Numen. ap. Eus. Lips. phys. Sto. Firmic. Card. &c.

(b) Down Cancer's Precipice they fly, &c.—This alludes to the old Platonic Notion of Præ-exifience of Souls; and their Descent from the Milky Way by the Tropic of Cancer, thence call'd the Gate of Men, into Niortal Bodies, as to a State of Teletation or Purgation; and Return again by Capricorn, thence call'd the Gate of Gods, after that State was expir'd; which Clem. Alex. in Strom. speaking of what Plato says in 10° de Rep. concerning Zoroaster's Return to Life from the Funeral Pile, thinks a dark Aliusion to the Generation and Resurrection of Human Nature. See more in Macrob. de Som. Scip. Porph. de regr. an. Aug. de Civ. Dei, &c.

(i) And set our Planet — So Stelliola in Campanella calls our World, under the Name Cybele, and places it, according to the Copernican, or rather Aristarchian and Philolaian System reviv's

by that Astronomer, between Mars and Venus.





EMBLEM XVI.

PURBLIND NATURE.

IFT up thy Eyes, fond Youth, and fee
The Ev'ning Bird as blind as thee:
Ceafe to idolife the Fair;
Love with Reafon, not Despair.
Those Charms with strongest Lustre shine,
Which slow resplendent from the Mind:
Where Virtue claims an honest Praise,
The Heart a prudent Homage pays.
Beauty! no more with Transport gaze
On the false Copy of thy Face:

Thy Pride has veil'd thy Reason o'er. While painted Nature you adore. When once the intellectual Part Is captive led by fenfual Art. When Paffion lords it in the Soul, And confcious Folly's all in all, In vain the strongest Reason pleads, Not facred Eloquence fucceeds: The blinded Soul no Charm can fee In Wisdom or Humility. As well MINERVA'S Bird we dress In the grave Pomp of optic Glass: The Taper and the flaming Wax Serve but to dazzle and perplex: In vain we add the Glow-worm's Light, Not the Sun's Beams can mend her Sight, But, blind amidst the strongest Ray, She shuns th'unlov'd Approach of Day.

So Purblind Nature acts in Man,
From hence our Ruin first began;
Hoodwink'd by Pride, from Innocence we rov'd,
And still go blindly on in those dark Paths we
lov'd.





EMBLEM XVII.

Omnia mea mecum porto.

(a) STILPO, of (b) Stoic Cast, who first Stoutly refus'd to fear the Worst;
Who knew no Ill could hurt the Soul,
Where conscious Virtue's all in all;
Who (c) Zeno taught those rigid Rules,
The future Maxims of his Schools:
When old (d) Antigonus's Son,
So oft a King, so oft undone,
Like a temperatuous Whirlwind came,
And set (e) Megara in a Flame:

Stript of his All, half-naked went To feek the haughty Victor's Tent: The Tyrant fmil'd; but mov'd to fee Merit expos'd to Misery, Order'd the Captains of his Host To give him back the Goods he'd loft. STILPO the useless Boon deny'd; Forbear, mistaken Prince, he cry'd, I've nothing lost, since what was mine, Wisdom and Virtue still I find, Triumphant in my Soul; the reft, Meer Toys of Life, are all a Fest. Th'aftonish'd Monarch blush'd with Shame, Conscious of STILPO's brighter Fame; This Man, he cry'd, has conquer'd more By Virtue, than my Arms by Pow'r. Cities may burn, and Empires fall, But Virtue triumphs over All,

NOTES on EMBLEM XVII.

(a) Stilpo — Was Head of the Philosophic School at Megara, at what Time the City was taken and fack'd by Demetrius. Laertius tays, Zeno was one of his Hearers, and relates this Story; as does also Seneca to Lucilius, with this Reflection, that hy Fortitude he overcame his Conqueror; so much easter it is to subdue a whole Country, than the Spirit of one wise and good Man. Some make Bias of Priene, one of the seven Sophoi, Author of this Expression, from whom probably Stilpo might borrow it.

(b) Of Stoic Cast — By Anticipation, as being of the same unshaken Spirit, which was afterwards the peculiar Character of that Sect; and which most probably Zeno, their Founder, imbib'd from

(c) Zeno — A Phænician Merchant, who failing to Athens with Purple, was cast away in the Piræus; on which he took to Learning, heard Crates, Stilpo, and Xenocrates, for 20 Years; then frequenting the variegated or painted Portico, call'd Peisianactia, and Poikile, at Athens, he began to hold publick Lectures, and had many Followers.

Foilowers, call'd, from the Place of their Instruction, Stoics, from Stoa, a Portico; their Tenets are recited at large by Laertius,

Liphus, &c.

(d) Antigonus's Son — Antigonus was one of Alexander's Captains, and the first who took the Title of King, who in the Division of his Empire obtain'd the Lesser Asia; which he lost again, together with his Life, at the Battle of Ipsus, against Ptolomy, Seleucus, and Lysimachus; his Son Demetrius with great Difficulty obtaining the Succession, and that involv'd with continual Wars: Who afterwards possess'd himself of great Part of Achaia, and all Macedon; but being drove out again by Pyrrhus, King of Epire, he sled to Seleucus in Syria, and there died in a Kind of honourable Confinement. He was called Poliorcetes, says Plutarch, from the many Cities he took and plunder'd.

(c) Megara — The Capital of Megaris, a small Province of Greece, bordering West upon Attica, (of which, says Strabo, it was once a Part) the Birth place of Euclide; taken first by Ptolomy, and afterwards again by Demetrius, who sackt and burnt it in the Confusion of those Times. Here it was that Nysus, the Father of Scylla, reign'd, betray'd by her to Minos, who repaid her Treason with Drowning, says Apollodorus; but Ovid seigns her to be turn'd into a Lark.





EMBLEM XVIII.

B R I T A N N I A.

SOUND, Heav'nly Messenger, thy Trumpet found;

Let Azure, spangl'd Worlds thy Notes resound: Chear with thy Voice the listning Universe, And Angels in their Hymns thy Streins rehearse. Sound Fair BRITANNIA's Faith, those Sacred-

Laws

Which pious Wisdom from Devotion draws, The awful Bulwark of the Christian Cause.

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BRITANNIA, while the great Eliza reign'd,
For Saints held facred, and for Vertue fam'd!
Reform'd from Error, but not faithless grown!
The Test of Truth, and Resuge of the Gown!
No Arian then was wise: No Libertin
Pleaded the Law of Nature for his Sin.
No lambent Dullness yawn'd a sleepy Pray'r;
Nor Hâche of Heresies was dainty Fare.
What Heav'n first taught, from Heav'n's high Voice she chose;

In facred Lessons Man's Perfection shews: From bleeding Innocence in Nature's GOD, Points trembling at th'offended Father's Rod. Returning Mercy in his Love proclaims, And triumphs in the Great Redeeming Name. Reason to Faith obedient Homage pays, Nor clouds with Human Wit Diviner Rays Of Wisdom infinite. She dares not find The Fate of Thousands seal'd in the Almighty Mind Coæval with the First and Great Decree, Whence universal Forms began to be, No pompous Error gives too fair Pretence, For judging Mysteries by outward Sense; But one unspotted Garb of Truth she wears, And wings each Soul to Heav'n by Penitence and Pray'rs.



EMBLEM XIX.

The DISAPPOINTMENT.

BLOOMING Beauty, young and gay,
Sports in Joy her Hours away:
Ev'ry charming Object moves;
Ev'ry Form invites to Love:
For her the whole Creation's gay,
Balmy Sweets around her play:
Heaven's feather'd tuneful Choirs
With their foft Notes to Bliss inspire;
Whilst (a) Flora, with her painted Pride
Of Nature, crowns the joyful Bride.

Thyrsis now forgets to languish, Faithful Vows repay his Anguish. Mira views her tender Swain With Eyes relenting to his Pain. All is Transport. But, alas! See yon meagre, dreadful Face! See the terrifying Dart Pointed at the Fair One's Heart! Now the Rofy Blush is gone, The envy'd Lilly reigns alone: Beauty faints beneath the Stroke, And Nature's vital Chain is broke. The balmy Stream forgets to flow; Her Breasts to Icy Mountains grow. Death's gloomy Veil o'erspreads the Maid, And all her youthful Glories fade. In vain the pearly Dewdrop tries To force a Paffage from her Eyes; Chill'd by cold Death, within its Cell It shines congeal'd into a Pearl. Toys are fled, the Lover mourns, Pain and Grief and Tears return: All is Sorrow, all is Care, Deepest Woe, and black Despair! Such, alas! are Nature's Joys, One short Hour the Bliss destroys: Objects then can charm no more, Sense and Passion lose their Power: Sighs and Tears come pouring in, And long Repentance ends the short-liv'd Scene.

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NOTE to EMBLEM XIX.

(a) Flora—The fame among the Latins as Chloris among the Greeks, one of the Nymphs call'd Napææ, or rather one of the Lemoniades, who, they thought, prefided over the Meadows and flow'ry Fields. See Emb. X. Not. (bb). She is fabl'd to be marry'd to Zephyrus, because that Wind is most conducive to the Growth of Vegetables and op'ning Flowers.





EMBLEM XX.

The PENITENT.

LAS! I faint; the Arrow's reach'd my Heart;
My Nervesall tremble with the dreadful Smart.
Heal me, O Nature! Nature strives in vain,
Her Pow'r all vanish'd in the first-fall'n Man.
Where then is Hope? From Heav'n. Then,
Heav'n, O hear

The mournful Accents of my falt'ring Pray'r. Save me, O Thou, whose Mercy knows no Bounds, And heal the Anguish of my raging Wounds:
No more distemper'd Passion then shall rove
Thro' the wild Desarts of unlawful Love:

Reason,

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Reason, confus'd, forsake thy Paths no more, But my whole Being tremble at thy Pow'r.

And Thou, Immortal Spirit, whose strong Cries
Pierce Heav'n's high-vaulted Roof, whose awful
Voice

Makes Earth and Nature shake, assist my Tears! Give my Words Force, and Virtue to my Pray'rs: Take, take my burning Heart, 'tis all thy own, Bear it on peaceful Wings to Heav'n's high Throne; Let its rich Incense fill those Worlds Above, Rising from Flames of pure Seraphic Love: So shall my Soul thro' endless Periods be United to thy Mercy, Lord! and Thee; Truths of eternal Glory crown my Joys, And Floods of Bliss arise from thy Almighty Voice.





EMBLEM XXI.

The JUST PERFECTION.

N vain imperfect Man consumes his Years In deep Researches after Nature's Laws;

Frail Reason is unequal to his Cares,

While he (a) unknows the one Almighty Cause;

The Learned Ideot feems profoundly wife,

And talks and argues from the Force of Sense;

His Talent all in Speculation lyes,

Bury'd in Trifles and Impertinence.

More true the humble Soul her End acquires, And calmly to her Yust Persection moves,

Who fe

Whose pious Hope a sacred Zeal inspires,

Who feeks to know her GOD, believes and loves;

Who thirsts for Knowledge at the awful Source

Of Truth's eternal Spring, that Chrystal Stream, Unfully'd Heav'n's high Will, whence all the Force Of Heav'n-born Wisdom to the World first came.

O! that weak Man wou'd cease his native Pride

Of Reason, that fierce Tyrant of the Soul! No more the facred Truths of Heav'n deride,

Nor tempt GOD's Vengeance by a fecond Fall! Then shou'd we see *Religion*'s fragrant Flow'r Spring from *Faith*'s fruitful Soil, true Wisdom's

Choice;

Sathael's artful Wiles should mourn no more, But smiling Angels triumph in our Joys.

NOTE to EMBLEM XXI.

(a) Unknows — That is, obscures by Ignorance, says Clem. Al. in fr. and sensual Ideas, those original innate Notices of a God and Goodness, which are wrote, says St. Paul, by the Great Creator on the slessly Table of the Hearts of Men; without which the Human Soul cannot properly be said to be or exist after the Divine Image, is she has naturally no Notice of him after whose Likeness she is, and from whom she derives her Power to be. What Philosophy thought of these natural Impressions, so necessary to our Persection and Happiness, I have hinted at in Emb. II. Note (b), and therefore hope I may be allowed the Sexpession, to describe that Neglect of God and Divine Ideas, for the Sake of Human Learning and sensual Complacencies, which, as it were, obliterates the Traces of natural Piety, and puts Mankind upon the Contempt of Revelation.



EMBLEM XXII.

The TEMPLE of TRUTH.

Gales,
Laden with Odors from the flow'ry Vales,
Collected Sweets in balmy Dewdrops hung,
The Groves all eccho'd with the tuneful Songs
Of (a) Philomell's fad Woes; when, full of Thought,
The Charms of Solitude Amyntor fought.
Long his enquiring Soul had wish'd to know
From whence Eternal Truth began to flow;
What facred Source diffus'd the glorious Ray;
How first th'enlightning Beams began to play;

If in the (b) Seeds of Nature once contain'd,
The lovely Being in the Mass remain'd;
Whence Vice and Virtue, Truth and Falshood rose,
Establish'd by the First Almighty Cause;
Or if the hallow'd Entity began
With native Virtue in the Soul of Man;
If, Aream'd from Heav'n, the Breath Ætherial slow'd,
And gave us innate Notice of a GOD.

Thus, musing with himself, Amintor stray'd, To find the Covert of a pleasing Shade, There on the Mosfy Bank he lay'd him down Beneath a spreading Oak, with Ivy bound, Nature, unbent, refign'd to fweet Repofe, The (c) downy God his weary'd Eyelids clos'd: In pleasing Forms the soft Ideas rife, And footh him with imaginary Joys: The active Soul, on waking Thoughts intent. The awful Temple of fair Truth prefents; The thining Frame transparent Beauty shews, Beauty! which not from Art, but Nature flows; For Nature there was All; no Gilding shone; No study'd Ornament enrich'd her Throne; An Adamantine Rock supports her Seat, Cut from its shining Bed, without Adorning neat. On this the bright Empyrean Form was feen, Eafy her Air, her Countenance serene, Compos'd as Innocence; no Pride dwelt there, But humble Smiles, a Modesty sincere, And piercing Looks, delightful, tho' fevere: One Hand her Symbol in its Glory bore, His Rays all glitt'ring in the burnish'd Ore; T'other. E

Shake off thy Doubts, thy Pray'rs have reach'd the Skies;

Know, from eternal Depths my Essence slows, Inherent to the one Almighty Cause, With the First Act of Entity I'rose.

(ee) Wistom and I, e'er Nature was design'd, Existed in the Great Almighty Mind;

Amidst the (f) wast Ideas I abode,
On each a Law immutable bestow'd,
Gave the first Sanction to the great Decree,
By whose known Fiat they began to be;
Gave each dependant Cause its proper Weight,
And six'd the seal'd Necessities of Fate.

From me alone the Cause and Reason slow,
Why Things eternal are for ever so;
Because Eternal Truth the Word has spoke,
Which not Omnipotence can e'er revoke;

That Word's essential TRUTH, whence in pure Streams, Like Light and Heat from the Sun's genial Beams, Thro' Living Forms, with Life diffus'd, I ran, And with her Maker's Image stamp'd the new-form'd Man.

With Reason first incorporate I lay, The Pride of Nature, 'till that fatal Day When Nature fell; then back to Heav'n I fled. Error her pois'nous Dews o'er Reason shed: Benighted long, the ruin'd Race went on From Guilt to Guilt, wanting my Light, undone; 'Till, mov'd to Pity, veil'd in suff'ring Love, I left my Mansions of the Bless'd Above, In Evangelic Streams to Earth return'd. And in the flaming Breasts of Martyrs burn'd. In (g) holy Characters enshrin'd I live, And facred Force to pious Lectures give: In humble Faith's pure Mansion I reside. Banish'd from haughty Reason's impious Pride; Reveal my Beauties only to the Wife; But pompous Folly and her Arts despise. If then Eternal TRUTH you long to fee, Take up thy Cross, brave Youth, and follow me. She spoke ---- and strait he saw the Goddess rise On Cherubs fragrant Wings to Azure Skies; Angelic Hosts in dazzling Crowds appear, And fing her Welcome to the Burning Sphere; Harmonious Orbs in facred Concert roll, Salute the welcome Pow'r, and glad his lift'ning

Soul.

Here clos'd the glorious Scene: The Youth awoke, And strait his Way to lonely Desarts took; With pious Tears corrupted Nature mourns, And his whole Breast with Love of TRUTHS Eternal burns.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXII.

(a) Philomela - Daughter of Pandion, King of Athens, fabl'd by

Ovid to be turn'd into a Nightingale.

(h) Seeds of Nature — Their the Stoics held to be primarily in God, whom Seneca therefore terms Incorpoream Rationem ingentium operum: Which Seeds, or Rationes, they look'd upon as incorruptible, and therefore believ'd they should remain unconsum'd in the General Conslagration, to produce new Worlds. I look upon them to be the same with Plato's Exemplary Forms; Democritus's Panspermia, which he took from Mochus, the Phanician; Epicurus's Atoms; Linaxagorus's Omoiomeria; and Aristotle's Infinite and Eternal Matter. See Emb. XXVII. Note (a).

(c) Downy God - Morpheus, Son of Somnus, whose Office was to represent pleasing Images, morphas, to the sleeping Senses, whence

arise Dreams.

(d) Immortal Name - See Note (a), Emb. I.

(e) Orient Chambers — The Ancients thought the Sun had two Chambers, one on the East, or Orient, and the other on the West of Heav'n; from the former whereot he came in the Morning, and retir'd to the other in the Evining, going back again above the Firmament during the Night, and therefore invisible to us: But the Holy Scriptures make use of this Term to signify the Apartments or Divisions of the Heav'n, call'd by Astrologers Houses; also the Signs of the Zodiac, or Mazaloth of Job; and tometimes the Spheres, or Orbs of the Planetary System. See Job ix. 9. Pfal. civ. 2. and Amos ix. 6. also Jerom, St. Austin, Lyra, Janius, Isidore Clar. Ben Israel, and Phercerus, upon those Places.

(ee) Wijdom and I, &c .- Prov. viii. 22, &c.

(1) Vost Ideas—Of future Worlds in the Almighty Mind, the Archetysos, or Mundus Faemplar, of the Platonic System, in which, tay they, omnes continentur formæ et exemplaria rerum faciendarum; or, to vie St. Austin's Expression in Retr. the eternal and immutable Reason of God, by which he made the Worlds: Tho' Clement, I think, is more plain, where he describes these Ideas to be Intestigentia Dei, seu quod a mente divina intelligitur; this, says he, by the Barbarians is term'd Logos Theou, id est, Verbum, sive Ratio, Dei. See before Embl. III. Not. (e).



EMBLEM XXIII.

The PRECIPICE.

Beware, O Christian! and defend thy Soul.
See how the angry Demon drives thee on,
Shews the curst Fruit by which thou wer't undone;
While Rebel Nature in Love's artful Form
Guides thee to Ruin with its fair salse Charm.
From Eden's satal Bow'rs we trace the Scene,
Where Beauty tempted Virtue first to Sin,
Where Reason sell a Sacrifice to Pride;
Our (a) Glory vanish'd, and our (b) Nature dy'd:

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Whence we no more can native Virtue boaft, Since Uprightness with Innocence was loft. Hence our first Years we spend in sportive Joys, And ev'ry Transport ev'ry Sense employs; Imperfect Nature Reason scarce obeys, But ev'ry Object ev'ry Wish betrays; Inflames destructive Passion, 'wakes Desire, And fets the heated (c) Microcosme on Fire. Our first-form'd Excellence is now no more, We owe our Safety to Almighty Pow'r; (d) Seraphic Beings needful Aid bestow, Drive back Despair, and ward the dreadful Blow.

NOTES OF EMBLEM XXIII.

(a) (b) See before Embl. VIII. Not. (b).
(c) Microcofine — Little World; Man so call'd, from his containing in himself an Epirome of universal Nature: In his Body, or Vegetative Substance, the Elementary Particles and Qualities; in his Animal System, the Animation of Coelestial Influence; in his Wisdom and Intellect, the Nature of Angels; and in his Rational and Immortal Soil, the Likeness of the Divinity.

(d) Seraphic Beings - See Embl. IV. Not. (g).





EMBLEM XXIV.

PRECAUTION.

CEE, my Soul! the Snare is spread; Nature mourns, by Sense betray'd: Lovely Forms to Joys invite, Soft Ideas, gay Delight. See beneath you faithless Shade The artful Foe fupinely lay'd: The fatal Flow'ry Scene beware, Tears lurk beneath, and black Despair: Follow thy faithful Guardian's Voice, He calls thee to fublimer Joys, E 4

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Sacred Bliss of Souls Above. Scenes of Glory, Peace and Love; Points out the bright Seraphic Way, Leading to those Realms of Day, Where verdant Palms, and radiant Crowns. And every Happiness abounds. Here are Sorrows, Sighs and Tears; There are Triumphs void of Cares; Blissful Crowds, eternal Choirs, Sacred Sounds the Soul inspire. Here the fleeting Pang no more Charms the Heart, when Sense is o'er: There the purer Act refin'd Dwells immortal on the Mind: No more we weep, no more shall Nature mourn, But endless Scenes of Bliss in endless Tracks return.





EMBLEM XXV.

APOSTATE REASON.

Laments her Ruin in her Nature's Fall, Reason to conquer strives a while, in vain, And faintly pants for Innocence again; Blinded by Passion, impotently moves, And, aw'd by Nature, Nature's Choice approves; Chain'd down to sensual Objects, Sense adores, Nor thinks of Future Worlds of Glory more. Th'Apostate (a) Privilege, from whence our Race Drew its first native Claim to Happiness,

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Was first distinguish'd by the Name of MAN. In that Great Day our Essence first began; Rebel to what our Maker then defign'd, No more the faithful Guardian of the Mind; Lords it o'er Virtue, (b) abject Faith defies, And falls to Pride a welcome Sacrifice: To Folly's glitt'ring Tow'rs goes gayly on; Is great, admir'd, and pompoully undone; Unconscious that Beneath dwells deep Remorse, The latent Poison, and the fatal Curse, The bitter Paradife of haughty Fools, Pregnant with Groans of late repenting Souls. In vain she sees the tempting Spirit smile O'er her lost State, before the glittering Pile; The wretched Being courts the gilded Bait, And, wrapt in guilty Joys, goes careless to her Fate.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXV.

(a) Apostate Privilege — Reason, the great peculiar Privilege of our Nature, whereby to search after and know our Almighty Creator, that we may adore and love him; here term'd Apostate, for ceasing to contemplate the Divine Being, its proper Object, and suff'ring itself to be directed by sensual Passions to sensual Objects. This Hermes makes the effential Idea of Man's first Disobedience, in Pam.

(b) Abject Faith—Not with regard to its own Nature, which is most excellent and divine, but with regard to the Contempt it now meets with from too many in the World, who are so bold as to affert the Competence of Natural Reason to account for Divine Mysteries,

and carry us to Perfection without the Help of Revelation.



EMBLEM XXVI.

PLUTUS; or, The Devout Hypocrite.

CHREMES, of humble, honest Race, Whose Poverty was no Disgrace, Pray'd to the Gods, and wept and pray'd, At ev'ry Shrine Devotion pay'd:
No (a) Hecatombs indeed he drove, Crown'd Victims to (b) Olympic Jove; No Incense, nor Arabian Balms, Cou'd offer to the Gods in Alms; His Poverty deny'd such Fare, But All was humble and sincere.

He pray'd, as conscious Reason knew
Dependant Beings ought to do;
Knowledge and Faith to Nature shew'd
The Off'ring due to Nature's God;
A Soul obedient, Heart sincere,
A Conscience as the Sun-Beams clear,
Mercy, and Truth, and humble Pray'r:
But still he clos'd his Suit to be
Deliver'd from his Poverty.

The Gods, still deaf to this Petition, Refus'd to mend his old Condition, But gave him Friends, and Peace of Mind, A Heart in all Things else resign'd, Virtue to guard his Soul they fent; But Chremes still was not content; A little Grange to call his own, A small Estate remote from Town,. A plenteous Board to treat his Friend, And other Items, without End, Chremes implor'd the Gods to fend: Authors, I own, are not yet fix'd Whether he ask'd a Coach and Six, A splendid Train, and all the rest Effential to a Man of Taste; But something of that Stamp, I find, The (c) Comic Poet feems inclin'd To think he hinted at, at least, When to the (d) Delphic Pow'r heutter'd this Request:

Hail! Sacred Object of our Vows, Whose Hand all Nature's Wealth bestows,

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Say, if my former Zeal displease, Shall Pray'r be dumb, and Virtue cease? Shall Vice and Folly share my Breast? Religion be my standing Fest? Shall I, in short, by turning vicious, Be rich and great, and live delicious? Say; for my Soul delires to know Whence all Dame Fortune's Favours flow? The God in Anger thus reply'd, Be gone; thou impious Fool, he cry'd, Have I not All on thee bestow'd, Conducive to thy real Good? With Heav'n's rich Stores enrich'd thy Mind, And only kept these Gifts behind, Left, by their fatal Charms betray'd, Thy Peace their Victim should be made? But fince no other Boon can please, No Bleffing fill thy Soul, but thefe, No longer at my Altars wait, But, wretched Man! purfue thy Fate: Without my Temple Gates you'll see A Form as blind and false as thee, Follow'd by Crowds of ev'ry Sort, From Country, City, Camp, and Court, Watching his Smiles; be fure you feize him, And do what e'er you can to please him: Pretend (but only fo) to be To Heav'n a constant Vocary; Hate Virtue, and oppress the Poor, And drive the Orphan from your Door;

Turn Justice into Ridicule; In Faith let Reason be your Rule, Nature your Guide in Points Religious; Flatter and favon, and be litigious: You need not fear, but in the End (e) Plutus will be your faithful Friend. Chremes obey'd the angry Pow'r, And found old Plutus at the Door: Told him the Message from the God, And took him to his own Abode: In a few Years his humble Hutt In Marble Geers began to ftrut: Porches and Columns grac'd the Street, Within resplendent Halls you meet; Here Architrave, and Freeze, and Cornish, There rich Stuckoes new Wonder furnish; Here Kneller shines, and there Van Dyke: (Did ever Mortal fee the like?) He that of late was poor as 70b, Now flaunts it in embroider'd Robe; As if, forbid it, Heav'n, to Men! The SOUTH-SEA YEAR was come ag'en. But yet all this would not content him, These Gifts were Things at random sent him; His Merits still were unrewarded, Which the blind Dæmon ne'er regarded: He therefore in a Passion tries By Chymic Art to cure his Eyes; T--ler, and Gr--t, and R--d he calls, To tamper with his optic Balls;

The fam'd (f) Ægyptian Balm he got, But still he cou'dn't see one Jot; 'Till Chremes once being gone from home, Virtue incog. vouchsaf'd to come, Invok'd the All-creating Name, And touch'd 'em with Empyrean Flame.

Plutus no fooner felt the Charm,
But his past Errors he reform'd;
Blindly no more his Gifts bestow'd,
But sav'd 'em for the Just and Good;
Chremes' detested Roof forsook,
And thus the late-repenting Wretch bespoke:

Farewell, thou, whose impatient Breast
Unbappy, while of Heav'n posses'd,
Barter'd eternal Joys for me,
The End of all thy Glories see;
While blind, I strew'd my Gifts around,
Thou wer't among my Minions found;
The Good neglected, mourn'd to see
My Bounties rest on such as thee;
Henceforth to Virtue only kind,
Pll place my Treasures in the Mind;
The Just and Good shall Suitors be
Alike to Virtue, Heav'n, and me;
Knaves, Fools and Hypocrites I'll hence despise,
And only place my Favours on the Wise.

Qui capit, ille facit.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXVI.

(a) Hecatomb — That is, 100 Oxen, or Bulls, which the Heather used to facrifice on great and remarkable Occasions to Jupiter, and fometimes to Apallo, whence the Hecatomban, and the Month Hecatombaon,

Hecatombæon, wherein such Rites were particularly celebrated, took their Names; Juno also had a Hecatomb of white Bulls offer'd to her in the great Feast call'd Heraia, or Junonia, at Argos, instituted by Lynceus, Son of Osiris and Hypermnestra, the Daughter of Danaus, whom they succeeded in the Crown of Argos, who having consecrated his Shield, with which he fought for that Crown, in the Temple of Juno there, Lynceus took it down, and gave it his Son Abas, instituting Games in her Honour for the Youth of Greece, giving the Victor a Shield and Mystle Crown. It was at one of these Feasts Herodotus lays the Scene of the samous Story of Cleobis and Biton, which is the Subject of an Emblem in this Volume, under the Name of FATAL PIETY. Homer makes Nestory of of cross under the Name couching a Mystlery in the uneven Number, to which Posterity might

add one, to make the Hecatomb.

(b) Olympic Jove—A Title of the Cælestial Jupiter, distinguishing him from others of that Name, by way of Eminence, as intending the Supreme Being, who was Olos Lampros, says Plut. on Homer, all shining with Light, and whose Seat was in the Heav'ns, as Phidias seem'd to inser, when he made hi. Ivory Statue in the Temple of Elis so large, that, the' sitting, the Head reach'd the Top of the Dome, for which being blam'd, as disproportionate, he said he made it after the Pattern of Homer, who describing this Olympian or Saturnian Jupiter, represents him as the Eiernal King, from whose Head slow'd Ambrokal Locks, and who with his Nod shook the high Olympus. This Temple, says Strabo, was once samous for its Oracle, but afterwards more so for the Olympic Games held every 5th Year in a Plain hard by it, upon the Establishment of Iphitus, A. M. 3174.

(c) Comic Poet - Aristophanes, from whose Comedy call'd Plutus,

the Plan of this Tale is taken.

(d) Delphic God - At Delphos was an Oracular Hole, fay Plutarch and Lucan, in the Earth, from whence is fued a fragrant Vapour, which, by the Assistance of the Genius of the Place, as some imagin'd, fill'd those who receiv'd it with a Divine Fury and Prophetic Transport; Ovid calls it the Castalian Cave: The first who felt its Effects is by fome held be one Corætas, a Shepherd, by Accident; but Plutarch scems rather to ascribe it to a peculiar Appointment of an Over ruling Providence: Themis feems to have been the original Priestess, or, at least, Patroness, of this Oracle, tho' the Dæmoniac in Plut. savs, she held it only during the nine Years Purgation of Apollo, or Phabus, after he had flain Python, the Genius, or Demon, of the Place. The Name Python may be deriv'd from Punthanomai, Inquiro; unleis you like the Story Hestod tells us better, That the Stone which Saturn devour'd, instead of Jupiter, was call'd Pytho, and, after being disgorg'd by him, was plac'd by Jupiter under the Brow of Parnassus, and gave the original Name, Python, to the City Delphos: But the first Oracular Virtue is by Orpheus ascrib'd to Themis; and Ovid makes it coxval with the Renewal of Mankind, the Name Themis, or Fas, implying no more than that Leave was given, or it was then become lawful, to Men to enquire and know the Will of the Gods. Her. says, the Chorus in Iplugenia of Euripides, Apollo drove from the Oracle; and the Scholiast upon Pindar, as also Polybius in Strabo, fzy, fay, that Python reigning or presiding there, Dionyshus, that is, Bacchus, gave Answers strift; but Python being slain, Apollo seiz'd the Iripod, and instituted the Pythian Games, in Memory of his Victory, the first that gave Answers in his Name being Phemonoe to Acrisus, 27 Years before Orpheus and Museus, and Linus, the Tutor of Hercules, says Clement, which Apollo and Dionysius above-mention'd were both one, to whom, under the double Name of Phabus and Bromius, Parnassus is dedicated, says Lucan, that is to say, Osiris, which signifies the Sun, or Phabus, who was also call'd Bacchus, that is, Great, by the Arabians, says Sir Isaac Newton, and by the Greeks, Dionysius: He in his great nine Years Expedition, which ended in Greece, among other Places, seiz'd Delphos, and appropriated the Oracle and Mountain where it stood to himself, constituting Phamonoe Priestes, or Pythia, there. As for Pindar's Story of the two Eagles meeting at Delphos, when let sly by Jupiter, one from the East, and the other from the West, as in the Middle of the Earth, which occasion'd Jupiter to six an Oracle there, it is ridicul'd by Strabo, and all the wifer Heathen.

(e) Plutus—Fabl'd to be the God of Riches, and Brother of Bootes; he was Son, says Hesiod, of Ceres, by Fasion, Son of Fupiter and Eletra; hinted at also by Theocritus, in his third Idyllium; but Servius makes Corythus, King of Corythe, to be his Father, on Account of his acquiring immense Riches by his Parsimony and Oeconomy: Some paint him young, beautiful, and swift in Flight; but others, lame, blind, and instrum, as represented in this Tale. Hesiod terms the Guardian Dæmons, Ploutodotas, that is,

Bestowers of Riches upon Mankind.

(f) Egyptian Balm-See the Story of Amenophis, King of Egypt, how cur'd of his Blindness, in Herodotus.





EMBLEM XXVII.

The GUARDIAN'S VOICE.

NOME, trembling Soul, the watchful Guardian cries, And gently leads her to the Sacred Groves

Of Heav'n-born Truth; come, taste these solid Joys, Pleasures which Wisdom uncontroul'd approves;

No longer chain'd to the fallacious Charm

Of inborn Pride, forget thy nobler Views;

Let Heav'n thy Heart with holy Transports warm, That Soul is lost which flatt'ring Sense pursues:

True Piety dwells here; fee where he stands,

Calm and ferene as was the first fair Morn.

When

When Nature, finish'd by th'Almighty's Hands, From (a) Seeds of wise Omnipotence was born. See, he points upwards to the Thorny Crown,

The Reed, the Glory, and the dazzling Ray;

Follow his Paths, and they are all thy own,

For Heav'n still hears when pious Mortals pray; Bid Earth adieu, for what can Earth suffice

To fill the burning Soul's immense Desire?

The Soul created for Immortal Joys, Eternal Objects only can inspire:

Imperfect is the Blifs which only charms

(b) Organic Nature with the Sweets of Sense; 'Tis Heav'n alone can fill Ætherial Forms, While all our real Transports flow from thence.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XXVII.

(a) Seeds, &c. — It has been shewn in Emb. VII. Not. (b), what is meant by Seeds, or first Principles of Nature, being primarily in God, not, as the Stoics held, Parts of his Substance, but as the Effects of his Omnipotence, and Issues of his Wisdom, therefore here term'd Seeds of wife Omnipotence, which, says that admirable Reas'ner in the School of Nature, Hermes, he sows like a wise Husbandman, those of Immortality in the Heav'ns, and of Mutability, with Life and Motion, upon Earth; so being the Cause of all visible and material Forms, tho' himself but one pure, invisible and immaterial Form; for in God there is but one Idea, &c. as in Emb. III. Not. (g).

(b) Organic Nature — So term'd by Aristotle in his Book de Anima; that is, endu'd with material Organs for receiving Ideas from sensual and external Objects, and conveying them to the Soul and Rational Power, which he terms the Persection of the Organic Body, and that

the Organ or Instrument of the Soul.



EMBLEM XXVIII.

CONSCIENCE.

ONSCIENCE! how awful is thy Name to Man!

How Nature trembles when she hears thy Voice!

Tell me, O tell me, when you first began,

And what strange Terror in thy Anger lyes. Do'st thou not shine in yonder's open Heart,

The Lamp of Reason, by whose sacred Ray

From Heavin's (a) Eternal Law we learn the Art

To own Almighty Wisdom, and obey?

Sun of our (b) Little World! by thy pure Beams Virtue's fair Fruit is rip'n'd by Degrees;

Warm'd

Warm'd by th' Empyrean (c) Spirit's genial Flames. Nature in thee her first Perfection sees.

O thou, who with our Form coæval rose, The facred Sanction of our first Free State:

In thee himself the Great Creator shews.

And opensall the Wonders of our Fate. If then we find thy Beauties clouded o'er

With ruffling Storms, from Guilt those Storms arise,

Which bath'd in Tears, thy Anger wounds no more. Peace breaks around us, and the Tempest dies:

But wanting thee, we languish in Despair, In vain the Pride of trifling Nature boaft

(d) Cameleon like, we feed on tainted Air; Flatter'd by Self-Opinion, 'till we're lost;

In vain Heav'n's awful Voice wou'd rouse the Soul, And 'waken Reason to behold her State:

Tho' Thunders shook the World from Pole to Pole, She cannot tremble, tho' she sees her Fate.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XXVIII.

(a) Eternal Law - So Aquinas teaches, that the Law of Nature (by which are to be understood the No ices of Conscience concerning our Obligations to Obedience, from the Distates of Nature, as Creatures to our Creator) is only the Participation of the Eternal Law in the Rational Creature; dispens'd to Mankind, say the Stoics, under the Name of Reason, implanted by Nature in ev'ry Man, to guide him in conforming his Life to the Will of him who governs All.

(b) Sun of our little World—As Man, says Euryphamus, is of the

Great or Universal World. See also Emb. XXIII. Nov. (c).

(c) Empyrean Spirit - So term'd by Hermes in Pam. Spiritus Divinitatis, Ignis, ipse Deus, &c. Empyrean fignify ng Fiery, and generally apply'd to the highest Heav'n, or Mundus Apparitionis, the Aziloth of the Rabbinic System where they place the Divine Scephiroth, or Perfectas Luces, issuing eternally from the Infinite Almighty Presence.

(d) Cameleon - A Creature like a Lizard, who being of a very pale Brown, and extreamly flick, reflects the Colour of any Thing it stands on, as its own: Fancy'd by some to live upon Air, because it is always putting out its Tongue to carch Flies, which are its principal EMBLEM Food.



EMBLEM XXIX.

PROVIDENCE.

HAT dazzling Light is yon? Methinks the Sun

Breaks glorious from the Eastern Hills this Morn;

Or is it more? Is that Great Day begun

When Nature shall to endless Life be born?

Is it the dawning Lustre of those Beams,

Which, when Messiah, like the Morning-Star,

Shall gild Seraphic Worlds with radiant Streams

Of rich redeeming Fires, shall fill the Air? 'Tis Heav'n's Eternal Eye: Behold, its Ray

Chears all created Forms; the immense Space

Bounding

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Bounding material Worlds, imbibes the Day,
And all the Pow'rs of Heav'n their First Great
Cause confess:

Time's rolling Periods all unfolded lye; To him Eternal Worlds return again;

Before him Ages after Ages fly,

And one ETERNAL Now furrounds the Scene.

Such is thy Præscience, such, O Thou Immense Almighty Being! We, in Terms consin'd,

Proclaim the Glories of thy Providence, Stupendous Act of the Eternal Mind!

Thence Empires cease to be; thence States arise; By that the Vintage thrives, the Harvest's bloom;

The Victors triumph, and the Captive dies,

And wealthy Stores are brought by Conquest home.

When Youth and Nature charm to wanton Joys,

And tempting Spirits fan the glowing Fire,

Thy Providence some Angel fill employs

To check the raging Tempest of Desire;

Thence Nature is at rest; each latent Cause Of Wonder rises from the great Decree;

Harmonious Order unmolested flows

Thro' universal Worlds, O Thou First Source, from Thee.





EMBLEM XXX.

The PHENOMENON.

NE Ev'ning from the Town withdrawn, While walking in the verdant Lawn, I fell by Chance among a Crowd Of Dons dogmatically loud; Hard Words and Scraps of Greek flew round, As might ev'n (a) Lully's Self confound; Some urg'd it was a Blezing Star, Predicting dire impending War; Some faid a Meteor, fome a Form Compell'd by (b) Necromantic Charm,

In Air embody'd, to portend The Time will come the World must end: 'Till a bold (c) Stagirite declar'd, No Dæmon cou'd inhabit there. A while I list'n'd to their Chat About this wond'rous Work of Fate; But not conceiving what it was Of their Debate might be the Caufe, I ask'd the Gravest of the Train Their mystic Meeting to explain: Sir, quoth the Don, and fix'd his Eyes, With Looks of Terror, on the Skies, Most astrologically wife, Such strange (d) Phænomena of late The Close of these last Ages wait, As if the (e) great revolving Year Wound up the Periods of the Sphere: See, Sir, what dreadful Form flies yonder, The very (f) Quintessence of Wonder In the first Region of the Air, fust (g) culminated by the (b) Bear. I look'd with all the Eves I had, And thought the (i) Rosicrucian mad; 'Till an huge Telescope was brought, Fam'd for the Wonders it had wrought, Its new Discoveries of Stars, Of (k) Solar Realms and Lunar Wars; This, elevated, by Defign, Just to the Town's Meridian Line. Shew'd me a Monster strange and odd, As fome (1) Ægyptian Demi-God;

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A Human Tongue in Front appear'd, A Wasp and Serpent clos'd the Rear; Two Wings of Bats, which shun the Day, Bore up the Whole, in fearch of Prey: Quickly I knew the Form to be Of no Coelestial Progeny, For oft' as I had tramp'd the Town, I'd feen it stalk its fatal Round: Sometimes in Gold and Scarlet gav 'Twou'd haunt Assemblies, Park and Play; Semetimes affociate with the Fair, And lurk beneath a Solitair: Sometimes all brilliant shine at C--rt, 'Midst glittering Crowds incog. refort; In the foft Whitper fwiftly pass, And smile in ev'ry lovely Face; Sometimes affect a serious Strain. Be fometimes noisy, loud and vain; Sometimes affect a smart Tupeè, Be easy, awkard, stiff, and free; Difguis'd in ey'ry modern Form, Assumes a fatal Pow'r to charm; Not Beauty, Learning, Wit, nor Love, With half its Eloquence can move. Scarce had I thus harangu'd the Tribe. And the portentous Prodigy describ'd, When Cosmo, wifer than the rest, Laugh'd, and cry'd out, 'twas all a Jest; We've all this Matter falfely handl'd, The Phantom we behold is SCANDAL: 'Tis strange we blindly shou'dn't know her, Whom ev'ry Day ourselves adore.

REFLECTION.

Scandal's a universal Crime. Haunts ev'ry Age and ev'ry Clime; To ev'ry Nation's Lot will fall, Alike vernacular to All: Whence Man first learn'd this fatal Art, The Idol now of ev'ry Heart, Is hard as (m) Algebra to tell, But most agree it came from Hell. Since, from his Excellence at Railing, (However now that Sin's prevailing) Old (n) Satan first deriv'd his Name, Brand both of Punishment and Shame; He with the fatal Apple gave The Epidemic Hint to Eve; She added Charms and Wit to pleafe, With all the fofter Niceties: Adam gave Weight and Eloquence, But none I ever heard gave Sense: From this Original it flew, Like Pride and Love, the World quite thro'. Man's Native Innocence betray'd, First (0) censur'd Heav'n, then disobey'd, And univerfal Havock made.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXX.

(a) Lully - The Inventor of an obscure, mysterious Art, wherein he has consounded Divinity, Philosophy, and Cabalistic Numbers in such a Chaos of Ideas, as himself only is able to understand and expound; this he pretends he had by Revelation in a Vision during his Retirement in a Desart, but he is look'd upon as a meer Enthusiast.

(b) Necromantic

(b) Necromantic Charm—Necromancy was that Species of Magic which divin'd by reaciling Life into dead Bodies, as Eriaho, the Emonian Witch, conflitted by Sextus in Lucan, is fabl'd to do. Such Force is afcrib'd both by Greek and Latin Poets to the Charms of Hecate; and luch was the Spell of the Wirch at Endor, who rais'd the Spirit of Samuel, or fome Being affuming his Form, to Saul. Cafaubon, in his Dee's Actions with Spirits, mentions the Imputation of such a Fast to Kelly, Dee's Copartner in his dark Studies, and another recired by Bishop Andrews. But now the Term Necromancy is indiscriminately apply'd to all Kinds of Magic and Commerce with the evil Part of the invisible World.

(c) Stagirite — Means here a Follower of Aristotle, who was born at Stagira, and tho' he don't absolutely deny the Existence of Divine Substances, as he terms 'em, yet, in Opposition to his Master Plato, he is as silent about them as possible, saying, We know but little of 'em, because but little of 'em is obvious to Sense; which some of his Followers have since improv'd to an absolute

Denial of 'em.

(d) Phænomena — That is, Appearances, a Term generally apply'd to strange and præternatural Figures in and Dispositions of the Air and Heav'nly Bodies, Meteors, Comets, Flying Dragons, Human Forms,

and the like.

(e) Great revolving Year - So call'd from its containing in itself all the Revolutions of the Heavenly Bodies, which within the Compais of its Period are suppos'd to return to the same common universal Thoth from whence they first set out in the Morning of Nature, fo bringing the whole Creation, like a well-adapted Concert, to a beau-This the Ancients term'd the Revolution of the 8th or teous Close. Starry Sphere; but Copernicus Prutenus, fuiting it to the Philolaian Hycothesis, which he reviv'd, calls it the Præcession of the Equinoxes, ascribing the Motion, not to that Sphere, but to the Colures under it, whose Sections, with the Zodiac, form the Equinoctial and Solftirial Points, to which he allows one Degree in about 72 Years, which takes in pretty near 25,800 Years for the whole Revolution; tho Ptolemy gives it 36,000, and Alphonso 49,000; but Alphonso evidently mistakes the Difference between the true Tropical Year and common Year of Computation for the Equinoctial Præcession, and has frated his Period accordingly: The Ancients from Plato allow'd but neant the same Thing with us, for what we intend by it is wholly attach'd to the present Order of Nature; but by their making it succellive to the last or Iron Age, and describing it as a State, to use Refiod's Words in his fourth or happy Age. Androon haron hamit beoon, of heroic virtuous Men, who should pareake of the Divinity, in that Sense term'd Theion Genos, a Divine Generation, I can't but think they rather intended by it something to come after the Dissolution of Nature, when they should possess that Immortality with the Gods, which, Posidippus says, is the greatest Gift they can bestow on Men, and Naumachius represents as all splendid, glorious, and full of a Divine Light; and is the same which Hermes, Pythagoras, Socrates, Plato, and all the wifer Heathers believ'd was to succeed this transitory State

State of Things; which Sibyl fung, and Virgil from those Oracles beautifully describes under the Character of the Saturnian Reign, or Return of the Golden Age, Revelation of the Divinity, Abolition of Sin, and Fullness of Bearinude, the last Times, as he expresly terms it. Whether the first Authors of the Millenarian System borrow'd any Ideas from trefe Dictates of the Light of Nature, I will not fay; but it is certain there is Reason enough to believe that some such State was darkly intended by this Period, which Sibyl applies to the MESSIAH'S Reign, and Virgil misapplies, from her, to the Son of Pollin.

(1) Quintessence - Was a Term invented by Aristotle, to describe the Substance or Matter whereof the Heavens were compos'd, more fine and pure than any of the four Elements, and therefore call'd a Quint, or fifth Essence or Substance; whence it has fince been apply'd to fignify any Thing out of the common Road of Purity and Perfection, in a farcastic Way.

(g) Culminated - An Astrological Term, denoting the vertical Position of one Heav'nly Body just over another, or in the Zenith of

a Horoscope.

(b) Bear - A Constellation near the North Pole, otherwise term'd Charles's-Wain, into which Ovid tables Califto, Daughter of Lycane, to be turn'd, and her Son Areas into Bostes, or Arctophilax; tho' others apply that to the younger Son of Ceres by Jasius. There is also another Bear, call'd the Less, or Cynosura, whose last Star is very nigh the Pole, Postellas says but two Degrees from it, others tour; this is call'd the Mariners or Phanician Star, that People using it for their Director in Sailing before the Magnet was known.

(i) Rosicrucian — From Rosicross, Count de Gabalis, the Founder of a dark, mysterious Cabala, concerning the Ministration of certain Genii about Mankind, whom he terms Sylpbs, Salamanders, Nymphs, and Gnomes, the Initiated into which Mysteries he calls Adepts, or Persons who had acquir'd a Persection of Knowledge and Wildom; not that he was alone in these Notions, for the same are to be found among the Dreams of Arthemius, Trithemius, Agrippa, Agricole, Paracelfus, Suavius, and many more, under the splendid Titles of Cabala magna, Philosophia magna, Philosophia occulta magia, &c. (k) Solar Realms — See Bishop Wilkin's History of the Worldin

the Sun and Moon; the former whereof contains many Things of the same Stamp with the elaborate Lucubrations of the late famous

Mr. Gulliver.

(1) Egyptian Demigod - Demigods were properly those who, having been Great Men, were Apotheis'd at their Deaths, as Tidio mentions of Hercules; such also were the Anubis, or Cynosephalus, the Ofiris, Afis, Mnevis, and Ammon, of the Egyptian Muthology, whom they represented as Monsters with Heads, one of a Dog, the fecond of a Hawk, the third of an Ox, the fourth of a Calf, and the last of a Ram, call'd by Lucan, Semideos Canes; tho the ancient Name for 'em was Semones, quasi Semibomines, a Tetin receiv'd from the Hetrurian Theology; the Greeks intended the fame by their Heroes and Hemitheoi, that is, Deify'd Men, or virtuous Souls converlant on Earth, as both Befind and Plato thought.

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(m) Algebra — A Species of Arithmetic for the Equation of Numbers, and finding out unknown Terms by the Use of intermediate Letters; call'd Algebra, or Alchebra, that is, sublime and copious, for its great Use and Excellence in all Mathematical Learning.

(n) Satan - Signifies Adversary, or Accuser.

(o) First censur'd Heav'n—The Evil Spirit accus'd the Almighty to his new-form'd Creature of deceiving him, in saying he should die the Day he eat of the sorbidden Fruit, assuring him he should not, and by that Means drew him to a positive Disobedience to his Great Creator, and Assert rather to the Delusions of his Enemy than the Precept and Admonition of the most True God.





EMBLEM XXXI.

The PATRIARCH.

HEN, warn'd by Heav'n, the faithful Patriarch fled,
To court a Foreign Beauty to his Bed,
Thro' Paths unknown and dreary Wasts he stray'd,
Resign'd and brave, to seek the promis'd Maid:
The purling Chrystal's limpid Stream, at Noon,
Cool'd his warm Lip; each Night some shady Gloom
Of twining Woodbinds, Emblem of true Love,
The Pride and Glory of the fragrant Grove,
Or some sweet slow'ry Bank high curtain'd o'er
With Heav'n's deep Azure, summon'd him to Rest;
Contented

Contented and ferene, he ask'd no more, Rich without State, and without Grandeur bles'd. While thus the wand'ring Charge of Heav'n obey'd, Undoubtful of the End what Heav'n decreed, As peaceful Slumbers footh'd his daily Pains Beneath a spreading Oak in Bethel's Plains, The Æther glows, Angelic Worlds appear, And all the Glories of the dazzling Sphere; A glitt'ring Scroll of Light unlaps its Fire, Down verging to the Earth, on which the Choir Of flaming Seraphs trod; as if the Way 'Twixt Heav'n and Nature in that Sun-beam lay; Above th' Almighty O'N, with all the Host Of Light impervious (here Description's lost) 'Utter'd a Voice like Waters, from whence flow'd The mystic Wonders of a suff'ring God. The ravish'd Patriarch transported rose, Believes the Vision, and returns his Vows; Th'incarnate Deity by Faith he faw, Rever'd his Mission, and obey'd his Law. In vain then Atheists Nature's Pow'r pretend, Their impious Freedom vilely to defend; Nature avows her GOD, his Law receives; He follows Nature nearest that believes: The Promis'd Seed from Adam's Fall was giv'n, And Faith the only Means to merit Heav'n.



EMBLEM XXXII.

The WORLD in Full Lift.

HIS Empty World supported see
By Ignorance and Vanity;
Above Self-Love preserves his Seat,
Reigning in Epidemic State:
Corrupted Nature is his Throne,
From whence he rules and guides his own:
(a) Wisdom no Bus'ness there can find;
Banish'd the Race of Human Kind,
His Guardian Genius guides him hence
To Realms of Peace and Innocence.

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In vain the common Herd of Fools, Whom (b) Fortune in her Apron holds, Obedient to the Lash of Sense. Carp at his Letter'd Excellence: In vain they strive to hold the Sage, He hates a fawning, vicious Age; He has no Call to keep him here, Can't laugh to hear the Voice of Pray'r; Can imitate no reigning Vice, To be thought fashionably wise; Can neither flatter, cringe, nor court, Nor banter Heav'n itself in Sport; Condemns no Truth, no Crime commends, Conscience and He are faithful Friends: Then let the furly Creature go, The Wretch has nothing here to do; Nor Herefy, nor Haxlequin, Can please him with their nauseous Scene; The World's gay Idol, Fortune, he disdains, And greatly feeks those Orbs where solid Virtue reigns.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXXII.

(a) Wisdom no Bus'ness — So Plato describes his Philospher in Phiedro, as fixing his Mind wholly upon Divine Ideas, and acquiring true Perfection, by rightly applying them; such, says he, the giddy Multitude carp at, as beside the Use of Reason, because abstracted from Human, and occupy'd in Divine Studies; but such, continues he, are sull of the Divinity, and possess that which the World cannot understand, for it is conceal'd from them.

(h) Fortune — Blind Idolatry number'd her among the Chjeds of its Worstip: But wife Nature, unprejudic'd by corrupt Superstition, abhorr'd the Delusion, confessing, in the Person of Philemon, That Fortune is no God to a wife and a good Man. So Aristotle defines Fortune to be only Causa per accidens corum qua delessu funt; and Cicero says, she owes both her Name and Being to Human Ignorance,

in the true Caules of Things.

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EMBLEM XXXIII.

The Progress of GOLD.

HEN from the Earth's deep Womb the Sooty Race
Of (a) Chili's Sons, Nature's unlov'd Difgrace,
Have dug the shining Ore from the rich Veins
Of (b) Andes' burning Hills; or in the Plains
(c) Laborious 'midst the Floods and swelling Tides
Of falling Rivers from those Mountains Sides,
Have caught the glitt'ring Dust, the wealthy Mass
Is cleans'd, by purging Fires, from Nature's Dross:

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Then thro' the World the tempting Mischief flies; Thence Spain derives her Annual rich Supplies, With which her Peace, and Pow'r of France, she buys;

'Spite of Valencia's terrible Campaign,
Infults victorious Britain on the Main:
Thence Gallia strives, in spite of Hochstet's Plains,
With conquer'd Troops, lost Honour to regain;
With Pomp of Piety, Heav'n's Aid implores,
And batters down whole Realms with Louis d'Ors.
Thence the persuasive Guinea takes its Rise,
Bribe of Ambition, Lust, and Avarice.
Imperious Toy! For thee the Virgin burns,
The Merchant trafficks, and the Lover mourns;
For thee the Hero fights, the Lawyer pleads,
The Coxcomb dresses, and the Soldier bleeds:
All Things by thee are govern'd here below;
To thee even Virtue yields, and Scepter'd Monarchs bow.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXXIII.

(a) Chili — A Country of South-America, lying between Peru and Terra Magellainca, on the Coalt of the Great South Sea, between that and the Andes, fruitful in Gold.

(b) Andes - A Ridge of high Mountains, dividing Peru and Part of Chili from Pariaguay, La Plata, &c. fome of them Volcano's.

(c) Laborious 'midst the Floods — From the Sides of the Andes burst several Torrents, which rolling down into the Plains, bear great Quantity of Gold Dust and some Seed Gold with 'em, which the Inhabitants get, by washing and sisting the Sand of the Rivers they run into.

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EMBLEM XXXIV.

Progress of DRAMA.

N Days of Old, when fam'd (a) Lycan Rites With Pleasures crown'd the Day, with Wine the Nights,

Soon as the blushing Grapes enrich'd the Boughs Of fragrant Vines, the Owner pay'd his Vows; Rich Fumes of flaming Incense fill'd the Skies, The Priests assemble, and the Victim dies; A lusty Goat each Hind to Bacchus pays, And votive Hymns resound his welcome Praise; With mystic Dance the frantic (b) Orgies close, Nature rejoices, and the Vintage grows;

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No noisome Locust spoils the Purple Store,
The Plants are facred by the (c) Dæmon's Pow'r.
Hence sprung the (d) Tragic Scene these Rites rehears'd

To folemn Musick in Elegiac Verse,
With humble Pomp by painful Thespis bore
In tatter'd Mummery from Door to Door:
Each Attic Lord the willing Drachma pay'd,
And what was facred, dwindl'd to a Trade;
Mix'd Satyr, Wit and Love the Action grac'd,
While Thespis was the Darling of each Feast;
His moving Theatre reform'd the Age,
And ev'ry Thing was welcome from the Stage.
This Æschylus improv'd, and sound the Art
With well-wrought Scenes to wound the Virgin's

Heart:

Arion gave it Eloquence to move,
Diction, and Measures, and the Voice of Love;
Then all was free, and Wit from Nature flow'd;
Each conscious Coxcomb fear'd, and felt the Rod:
In ev'ry Scone well-copy'd Nature shone,
And Majesty cou'd awe without a Throne;
The Voice, the Action, and the Sense, all join'd
To make a strong Impression on the Mind:
Like nervous Shakespear, ev'ry Thing was Wit;
The Purple Sinner trembl'd in the Pit;
(e) Archons, if guilty, felt the wholesome Stroke,
And blush'd to hear their secret Vices jok'd:
The (f) Groundlings clapp'd; the Ladies cry'd
Encore;

And Virtue triumph'd by the Stage's Pow'r,

Thus Athens first receiv'd the useful Muse,
Nor Moral Censures from her Laws refus'd:
Next, pompous Rome with Splendor dress'd the Scene,
And (g) Asian Spoils deck'd the Dramatick Queen;
(b) Thebaic Arches in huge Circles rise,
And (i) Pompey's Theatre delights the Eyes;
A (k) Roscius charms, a (l) Polus Nature moves,
Each Hero pities, and each Virgin loves.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XXXIV.

(a) Lywan Rites - Bacchus, fo call'd à Solvendo Curas.

(b) Orgies — Apo tas orgas, à furore Cereris, says the Alexandrian Clement; a Name peculiarly adapted to the frantic Rives of Bacchus, instituted by Orpheus in Thrace; but afterwards apply'd to all other Ceremonies wherein the same Excessus mentis was required, as in those of Enva or Bellong, Carbella Ceres, &c.

as in those of Enyo or Bellona, Cybelle, Ceres, &c.

(c) Dæmon's Power — Not his own, but that All-creating and Preferving Spirit administer'd by him; Dæmons being held by the Ancients to be an intermediate Species of Beings between the Gods and Men, by which the Divine Dispensations were administer'd to the Universe, as Diotima describes 'em in Plato, call'd Dæmons, quasivalde scientes, from the r extensive Knowledge, à daio, scio.

(d) Tragic Scene - So call'd from Tragos, a Goat, which, Horace tells us, was the Prize for which they strove in those Poems, vilent certavit of Hircum; but rather from their being an ex'd to the Dionysiaca, or Sacrifices of Bacchus, to whom a Goat was sacred by the Athenians, who exhibited 'em at those Times to the People, pigatim, thro' all their Demoi, or Villages, for the Instruction of the People, as also at their Festivals and Juridical Meetings, says Heinftus on Hestod. Thespis observing how well they were receiv'd, made them more general, carrying about a Chirus of Perions, repre-fening Satyrs, the Followers and Companions of Bacchus, clad in Goat-skins, at all Times in a Cart, to whom he adde I one Ludio, or Histrio, that is, a Person who was to represent some Heroic Character, and by his Action, join'd to what he spoke, make Impression upon the Passions of his And erce, from some moving Story he recircd, reiting between whiles, for the Chorus to intervene, and amule with jocular and farcastic Mummery: But Solon in his Archonship put a Stop to thele Proceedings; tho' Sucrates approv'd 'em very much, as necessary for the Correction of Human Life. Both Plutarch and Plato feem to think the Works of Homer were the first Scenic Poems so recited in these Primitive Drama's, 'rill in Time they were succeeded by studied Compositions and greater Variety of Characters, acting, not relating the Story they exhibited; of which Characters, or Dramatic Perfons, Alichylus. G 4

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Æschylus added a second, and Sophocles a third, increas'd in Aster-Ages to the Number of twenty, and increasing also in Scurrility and Licentiousness, which was first corrected by Menander, the Inventor of the new, moral and genteel Comedy, sollow'd therein chiefly by the Latin Poets; the Theocritus makes Epicharmus the first Inventor of Comedy. Their first Introduction to Rome, says Livy, was, interalia, Calesis Ira placamina, to avert the Anger of the Gods in a Time of Plague, but only in the Manner of Pantomims, 'till Livius Andronicus adapted Fables, and a Coherence to the Action, perverted not long after to the Osci and Attellana, which Lucilius corrected, after the Lex Satyra had prohibited their future Exhibition.

(e) Archons — Annual Governors of the Athenian Commonwealth; they were at first for Life, on the Suppression of the Regal Power,

then for ren Years, and laftly only for one.

(f) Groundlings - Those who stood in the Orchestra, or Pit, call'd by the Romans, Cavea, between the Stage and Seats, for the rest of the Audience.

(g) Asian Spoils — Brought home by Lucullus and Pompey from the Mithridatic War, out of which much was apply'd by the latter to the

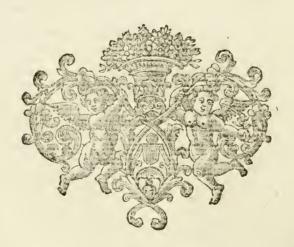
Decoration of his Theatre.

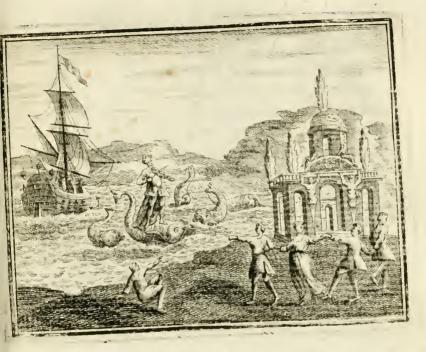
(b) Thebaic Arches - Piazza's of Agyptian or Thebaic Marble, rais'd one above another, under which the Seats for the Audience were.

(i) Pompey's Theatre — Nanus upon Horace says, Pompey first lay'd the Foundation of a fix'd Theatre at Rome; but Livy speaks of a Theatre and Proscenium erected ad Adem Apollinis in that City, by M. A. Lepidus, near 100 Years before, on dedicating the Temples of Juno and Diana, the Senate giving Money for the Exhibition of Plays therein.

(k) (1) Rescius and Polus - Two famous Roman Players, the last

especially mention'd by A Gellius.





EMBLEM XXXV.

ARION.

Quasita Ruina Salus.

N Ancient Times, when Wife Men met Over a ferious Glass to chat,
And let their Wit with Reason flow
On what 'twere Folly not to know,
(a) Gorgias, the Spokesman for his Lord,
Thus entertain'd the Learned Board:
One Night, the hallow'd Last of Three,
Neptune! held sacred to thy Rites and Thee,

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As from high (b) Tænarus the Train
Of Priests (c) Asphalian view'd the Main,
A solemn Pomp the Ocean bore,
Enchanting Sounds fill'd all the Shore;
Dolphins in shining Circles play'd,
And form'd a lovely Cavalcade,
(d) Arion on the foremost rode,
We took him for some Ocean God;
To a sweet Voice he struck the Lyre,
And play'd with more than mortal Fire;
The Sounds harmonious spoke the Bard,
Who landing, thus the mystic Scene declar'd:

' From rich (e) Hesperian Realms I come,

Laden with Wealth and Honours home,

'The Darling there of ev'ry Breaft,

By all admir'd, by all carefs'd,

· Follow'd with more than British Rage,

• The FARINELLI of the Age;

'Till tir'd with Praise, with Wealth oppress'd,

· I fcorn'd the profitable Jest,

· Refolv'd once more to visit Greece,

· Like (f) Jason with his Golden Fleece,

· Embark'd with Joy, we fpread our Sails,

' They fwell'd with kind propitious Gales,

· Hesperian Spoils I proudly bore,

' Ungrateful, to a Foreign Shore:

But Heav'n, alas! ne'er fees in vain

' The proud Ingratitude of Man,

My Life the faithless Crew pursu'd,

' I fought for Safety 'midst the Flood,

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Nor fought in vain, for whilft I fung

' The (g) Pythian Strains, with falt'ring Tongue,

'The list'ning (h) Dolphins round me play'd,

' And, waiting on my Accents, flay'd

"Till finking, all my Weight they bore,

' And fafely brought me to the Shore.' So when vain Man is almost lost,

By Pride's unsteady Billows tost, Reason nor Nature is his Friend, But all Things to his Ruin tend; Dangers on ev'ry Side appear, And ev'ry Passion turns to Fear; Then Heav'n's relenting Hand we fee Close the long Scene of Misery, Some unexpected Help bestows, And Safety from our Ruin flows: Purg'd of our former Crimes, we own Heav'n's Pow'r, And never tempt its just Resentments more.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XXXV.

(a) Gorgias - Brother of Periander, introduc'd by Plutarch as the Eye-Witness of this Scene, while performing the Rites of

Asphalian Neptune on the Promontory Tanarus.

(b) Tanarus — A Promontory in Laconia, where was a small Temple to Neptune Asphalius, or the Preserver; at the Foot of the Hill was a Cave, thro' which Virgil makes Hercules bring Cerberus from Pluto's Realms, and Ovid fables to have been the Passage thro' which Orpheus went thither to fetch his Wife.

(c) Asphalian Priests - This was a Title first given to Neptune by the Lacedemonians, and is as much as Tutelar, or Preserving Power, generally on a Notion that he preserved 'em from Earthquakes, of

which they look'd on him as the Author.

(d) Arion - A most excellent Musician, and Inventor of the Tragic Stile, born at Methymna of Leshos, fent to Italy by Periander, King of Corinth, where getting great Riches, the Mariners intended, as he came home, to murder and rob him; but he escap'd by flinging himself into the Sea, playing on his Harp the Pythian or Orthian

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Ode, where he was catch'd by a Dolphin hark'ning to his Musick, and carry'd on Shore: So Caranus was carry'd by a Dolphin, when shipwreck'd, near Zacynthus, says Plut. de anim. Sag. a Boy was courted by a Dolphin in AGellius; and the Body of Hesiod, when murther'd and slung into the Sea, was carry'd ashore by those Creatures, whose natural Instinct seems to wear the Face of a seeming Piety and Love to Mankind.

(e) Hesperia - The ancient Name of Italy, from a King so call'd,

Brother of Atlas.

(f) Fason—Fabl'd to be sent to Colchis to setch the Golden Fleece, carry'd thither by Phrymus, the Son of Athamas; but in reality, says Sir Isaac, was Captain or Chief of the Grecian Youth who went in the Ship Argo thro' the Greek and Euxin Seas, on the Death of Orus, King of Egypt, to solicit the Countries subdu'd by his Father, Sesostris, to revolt, and shake off the Egyptian Yoke.

(g) Pythian Streins—Or Orthian Measure, was a Composition fram'd to inflame the Mind with Courage and the Love of War, says Eustathius on Homer, us'd by Timotheus before Alexander, who thereon rose up in a Fury and ran to his Arms; something of the same Nature with the Proceleusmatic Measure, and like that term'd also Cantus Classicus, and by Plutarch thought to be a Kind of Sacred Ode for the Sasety of the Ship; generally deriv'd from Orthios altus, Sonarus, from the losty Voice it requir'd; but I rather think it took its Name from the Lex Orthia Palladis, Argumentum Bellicum continens; Plutarch calls it the Pythian Measure, either from its being us'd in those Games, or rather from its being deliver'd with an Excessus Mentis, as the Verses were from the Pythian Oracle.

(b) Dolphin - See before Note (d).





EMBLEM XXXVI.

VANITY.

AIN are thy Arts, deluding Phantom! fly!
Thy Smiles can give no Peace, thy Charms
no Joy;

(a) Circean Poisons lurk in ev'ry Grace,
And drive ev'n Sacred Virtue from the Place;
Virtue to Thee, like Heav'n to guilty Minds,
(For Guilt no Happiness in Virtue finds)
The constant Terror of thy conscious Fears,
Object of black Despair, and Subject of thy Tears.
Hence! thou fair Mischief! (b) Lamia's fatal Brood,
Got by corrupting Plagues on Human Blood;
From

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From genial Foam-like wanton (c) Cypris born, Inviting Charms thy specious Form adorn: But, O! within (d) Echidna's Venom lyes. Who looks is loft, but who embraces, dies: So (e) Scylla's pleasing Looks persuade to Joy, So (f) Syrens charm, and false (g) Hyana's cry: Unwary Nature grasps the tempting Prize, While Life and Reason fall thy Sacrifice. . Ev'n Rome, where ev'ry flagrant Vice became Worthy, at least, some (b) hostile Dæmon's Name. To thee no Shrine, to thee no Altars made; 'Twas thou our ruin'd Nature first betray'd; Tempted by thee, too vain of being wife, Our curious Mother covets, tastes, and dies. Farewel, Ixica's Joy! Virtue, I'm thine, Thy Joys are lasting, and thy Charms Divine; Crowns and Immortal Worlds on thee attend, Thou Guardian of the Soul, our Nature's Friend, Guided by thee, to you bright Realms I go, Wing Tracks of endless Bliss, and scorn this World below.

NOTES on EMBLEM XXXVI.

(a) Circean Poisons—Circe, says the Author of the Argonautics, was Daughter of Æetes, King of Colchis, by his Niece Hecate, the Daughter of his Brother Perfes: But others make her the Sister of Æetes, and Daughter of the San by the Nymph Perfea, who being married to a Scythian Tyran, took him off by Poison, in which and Inchantations the was most skilful; for which being drove out, she stied to Italy, and settled there on Mount Circæus, upon the Confines of Latium, where she turn'd Scylla into a Sea Monster, bore Telegonus to Ulysses, and chang'd Picus, Son of Saturn. King of the Latins, into a Magpye, for slighting her. See Virg. Æn. 7. Ov. Met. 1. 14. and Hom. Odys. 10.

(b) Lamio — Was the Daughter of Belu:, or rather Neptune, and Libya, fays Suidas, who, thro' Grief for the Loss of her Son by Jupiter,

Jupiter, went mad, and committed all manner of Cruelty upon the Children of others. By this Name, in the Plural Number, are also included the Empuse, and Larvæ, Species of Female Dæmons, who were thought vitiously to affect Human Society; one whereof, says Philogratus, lov'd Menippus at Corinth, 'till chac'd away by Apol-Dion. Chrys. in his Libyan History, applies the Name to a Kind of Serpents, whose Upper Parts, Breatts and Faces resembled those of beautiful Women; these (hiding all the rest) they expos'd to View of Travellers, to excite their Admiration, whom approaching, they devour'd: Which Monsters are by others term'd Hyanas, alluded to in that of Jeremiah, in Lam. iv. 3. some whereof were exhibited in Shews to the Roman People by Probus.

(c) Cypris - Venus, io call'd by Theoeritus, Ep. iv. because she first appear'd from the Ocean in the Isle of Cyprus: As also Spuma procreata, Foam-born, by Cic. de N. D. 1.3. the same with the Aphrodite of Hefiod, because, says Varro, cum Semen igneum in mare

ceciderit, nata escumis erat, conjunctione Ignis et Humoris.

(d) Echidna - Daughter of Chrysaor, says Hestod, and Sister of Geryon, being Half Woman Half Serpent, the Wife of Typhon; but Apollodorus fays she was the Sister of Typhon, and Daughter of Tartarus and Terra.

(e) Scylla - Daughter of Phorcus, chang'd by Circe into a Sea-Monster, and afterwards into a Rock in the Sicilian Sea, opposite to the Whirlpool Charybdis; a very narrow Streight lying between.

(f) Syrens - See before Note (1), Emb. XI. (g) Hyanas - See Note (b) above.

(b) Hostile Dæmons - Evil Spirits appearing in frightful Forms to the Heathen in their Sacrifices; for appealing of whom, or rather for preventing the seeing 'em, Eneas is order'd by Helenus to sacrifice in

Left, 'midst the Sacred Fire,

Some hostile Face should interrupt the Sign. From hence, fays Salmafius, were deriv'd the Forms or Faces in the Zodiacal Signs, call'd Decans; that which is rifing when any Person is born, being the Spirit of his Narivity, founded on the Platonic Notion of the Planerary System, being animated each with its proper Spirit, which, says Herm. in Asclep. we call down by Incantations into Statues, Rings, Pictures, &c. whence Talifmaus, Oracular Statues, and the Ferrith Teraphim, arose.





EMBLEM XXXVII. The CALL.

WAKE, deluded Soul! the Morning-Star
Bespeaks the Purple Dawn, and sparkling
Day

Shines radiant from the East: See, all the Air Glows with new Light from Truth's eternal Ray:

Nature no longer mourns beneath the Shade

Of Error's fatal Gloom; no more the Grove, Sacred to Heroes, and the hallow'd Dead,

Awes to Devotion, or invites to Love:

In vain (a) Sabæan Balms, in spicey Streams, Flow from crown'd Altars: Hecatombs in vain

Low

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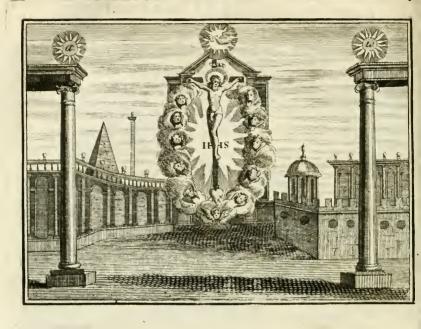
Low with Prophetic Voice around the Flames, They cannot cleanse the conscious Sinner's Stains: Rife! Break thy Golden Dream! Lift up thy Eyes! And see Redemption, like the First Day's Sun, Beam a rich Flood of Joy from op'ning Skies, And chear the World with Love's Seraphic Dawn! Behold the Sacred Symbol of thy Joys! Angels around in awful Transports wait, Confirm the Mission which the Father's Voice Immortal spoke, and feal'd the Rolls of Fate. Depths, which from Time's first Origin unknown, Wrapt in Eternal Wifdom, lay conceal'd, 'Till (b) Shiloh from Empyrean Worlds came down, And all the mighty Prodigy reveal'd; Taught guilty Man those Sacra first to know, Nature and Reason trembl'd to reveal: Whence Peace and Life and Joys Eternal flow, While gnashing Spirits their lost Heav'n bewail.

NOTES to EMBLEM XXXVII.

(a) Sabæan — Sabæa is Arabia Felix, the ancient Seats of the Homerites, or original Æthiotians, who remov'd from thence into that Part of Afric now call'd Æthiotia, from which they were parted only by the Red Sea, call'd Sabæa, apo tou Sebein, from the Veneration of the Gods, as abounding with Myrrh and Frankincense for their Altars. Both Sorts of Æthiotians were in Xerxes's Army describ'd by Herodorus.

b) Shiloh — According to the Targum of Onkelos, is the same as Messiah, that is, Unestus, or Christ; others render it Missam, that is,

Sent; but R. Kimchi, Filium Mulieris.



EMBLEM XXXVIII. R E D E M P T I O N.

IS done! Eternal Periods are unveil'd,

Redemption's pass'd; the great Record is seal'd;

Immortal Being mortal Pangs sustains,

The Creature lives in the Creator's Pains;

The Source of Nature mourns, the Heav'ns bow down,

Messiah bleeds beneath the Thorny Crown: Weep, O ye Angels, veil your piercing Eyes, And tremble, while the Great Redeemer dies! Can Life then cease to be: Can Death have Pow'r O'er the First Cause? Can Essence be no more?

Can

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Can High Omnipotence a Period know: Or Streams Eternal ever cease to flow? That Nature may be more, can GOD be less? Tell me, Ætherial Forms! what Prodigy is this? Ha! yonder I behold the glorious Scene; Open, my burning Soul, and let the Wonder in! See Heav'n and Nature join'd by mystic Love; See the Creator in the Creature move; See in our Substance the Incarnate GOD Bows, bleeds and dies beneath the Father's Rod: For what of Heav'n his Sacred Nature wore, Incapable of Paffion, triumph'd more; Exempt from all the Godhead still remains, And only gave a Sanction to his Pains: Almighty Jesu, hail! Restor'd in Thee. Our fallen Nature fuffer'd, and was free; From thy Divinity the Sanction flow'd; Thou dy'd'st in Man, that Man might live in GOD.





EMBLEM XXXIX.

The CHRISTIAN CHARACTER.

XTATIC Scene! So wrapt in Glory round, So loft in Transport should the Soul be found, Who seeks Immortal Worlds; Almighty Beams Of Love Self-perfect in *Etherial* Streams From Truth's Eternal Spring dawn round his Breast, The Force of Reason in his Faith confess'd. All there is pure as Nature was design'd, When Heav'n-born Innocence adorn'd Mankind, When the Seraphic Light around us shone, And all the (a) Pow'rs of Angels were our own.

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The Christian, thus from stormy Passions free, Lives only to adore the Deity: Each Purple Morn his Heart rich Incense pays, Chaste holy Vows, and Hecatombs of Praise; Each Night the Silver Moon beholds his Tears Of weeping Penitence and humble Pray'rs; Obedience crowns the Whole, his Heart no more Ambition warms, or the lewd Thirst of Pow'r; The Wealth of Nature he at Distance views, Dares wish no Plenty, nor no Want refuse: All that is Heavin's, and as wife Heavin decrees, Whose Acts are just, but awful Mysteries; Triumphant hence o'er all Life's tempting Joys, He hears, unmov'd, the warbling (b) Syren's Voice; In vain foft Pleasure charms, in vain Defire, Love, Beauty, Grandeur, guilty Thoughts inspire; No Pomp of Nature can his Peace prevent, He lives a Martyr, and he dies a Saint.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XXXIX.

(a) Pow'rs of Angels — Free Will, and a Natural Capacity of being Immortal. See Epiph. from Proclus con. Origen. and Aug. de Civ. Dei, Just. M. Apol. ad Sen.

(b) Syren's Voice - Metaphorically for the deluding Voice of

Nature.

The Whole built upon the Plan of Clem. Alex. his true Gnofic, in Strom.



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EMBLEM XL.

PRIMITIVE DEVOTION.

HEN true Devotion and a pious Zeal
To learn the Depths of Heav'n's Almighty
Will

Inspire the Soul, how readily we hear
The Sacred Lectures of the Learned Chair;
The Preacher's Voice, like Hermon's balmy Dews,
Melts our strong Passions into Holy Vows;
We pray, we listen, and we learn, with Joy,
What Heav'n first taught; and ev'ry Sense employ
In hallow'd Pleasures; while our glowing Breast
Pants strongly to receive the hallow'd Guest:
Thus

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Thus met the Saints of Old, nor thought whole Days Too long to spend in their Creator's Praise: Then Churches were the Copies of those Choirs Where Heav'nly Vision Heav'nly Love inspires; Faith's holy Transports triumph'd over Sense, And Reason bow'd to pure Intelligence: Then GOD was All in All; to ev'ry Breaft Th' Immortal Presence was a welcome Guest: There in his living Temple of the Mind The radiant (a) Shechinah for ever shin'd. There Incense ever burn'd; Devotion there Was the lov'd Victim, deckt in humble Pray'r: Harmonious Piety still fed the Flame, While ev'ry Soul believ'd and hop'd the fame: Grace smil'd in All; All burn'd with equal Love, And with united Zeal fought the bright Realms Above.

NOTE on EMBLEM XL.

(a) Shechinah—Was a Term us'd to denote the Divine Presence remaining in the Holy of Holies over the Mercy Seat of the first Temple at Ferusalem; and from there apply'd to denote any immediate Presence or Irradiation of the Divinity; not that we are to suppose that Place contain'd the Substance of the Divine Being, but one of the Shephiroth Divine and Perfecte Luces issuing from the Infinite Being, as the Rabbinic System expresses it, was at that Time visible, or, at least, somehow more immediately discernable there at that Time; term'd by Moses the hinder Parts of the Divine Being.





EMBLEM XLI.

No REASON above FAITH.

NE Ev'ning, as the pious Austin trod
The Sandy Beach, with Thoughts intent on
GOD,

His lab'ring Soul mysterious Doubts oppress'd, And Faith and Reason struggl'd in his Breast; Frail Nature strove, (but Nature strives in vain To know what Heav'n has ne'er reveal'd to Men) By what Eternal Law of Entity The One Immortal Essence can be Three; How Unity can stream a triple Ray, And Faith to Reason just Obedience pay.

As

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As musing thus on Sacred Truths he pass'd, On a laborious Youth his Eyes he cast; With painful Toil he try'd, but try'd in vain, To make a shallow Sandy Bed contain The foaming Billows of the boundless Main. Forbear, mistaken Boy, the Father cry'd, Your fruitless Task by Nature's Law's deny'd. Why then ---- (And fuddenly an Angel's Face Shone with Seraphic Light around the Place) Reply'd the glitt'ring Form, do'ft thou by Senfe Presume to scan Supreme Intelligence? They who for Sacred Truths wou'd Reasons know. Why Things Eternal are for ever fo, Who the First Immense Origin confine To scanty Limits of the Human Mind. Describe a (b) Series of revolving Years In vast Eternity; may count the Stars. Lade Oceans dry and empt the deep Abyss, Unravel Nature's darkest Mysteries. Fathom by Reason all the vast Design Of future Worlds in the Almighty Mind; Boasting the Strength of Reason, they destroy That Reason they so impiously employ; Put out the Light of. Nature in the Soul. And tempt Heav'n's Vengeance by a second Fall. This spoke, he vanish'd in a Purple Cloud, The Father wept, and strict Obedience vow'd To Heav'n's Almighty Truth, by Heav'n declar'd, And spent his future Days in Penitence and Pray'r.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XLI.

This Stery is generally imputed to St. Austin, but by the Commentator upon Alanus brought down so low as his Time, tho' I think without Foundation, because in the later Ages of the Church such Divine Evidences of Holy Truth were not so frequent as when the Corruptions of her Doctrine were less general, and the Zeal of the Orthodox was more strong and lively. Nor is this the only miraculous Confirmation of the Doctrine of the Blessed and Undivided Trinity her Annals afford us; the Judgment of God appearing in the Death of Arius himself, and Anastasius, a Patron of his detestable Doctrines; and the withdrawing the Water by a Divine Hand on some Arian Baptisms, more than once, being sufficient to convince us, that God has not always heard those Blasphemies, without vindicating his Truth; and, as it were, protesting, in the Voice of Thunder, against Human Impiety.

(b) Series of revolving Years—Alluding to the Doctrine of Eviternity, or Succession of Time in the Duration of Eternity; which, by applying to the Existence of the Divine Nature, the Arians make use of, to sound a Beginning for the Sun's Existence, prior to Created Forms, but yet subsequent to the Father; which by retaining the true Doctrine of Eternity, as an Eternal NOW, they could never have done, without involving their Scheme in a most

ridiculous Self-Contradiction.





EMBLEM XLII.

DESTRUCTION of JERUSALEM.

WHEN a fall'n Empire tow'rds its Period draws,
Vindictive Justice waits the mighty Close;
Earth, Air and Heav'n in hallow'd Wonders join,
And Nature bows beneath the great Design.
So Judah fell; but e'er the last long Woe
Seal'd her sad Fate, the threatning Storm she saw
Come rolling on, portentous Fires appear,
And radiant Hosts embattel'd in the Air;
(a) Meteors and Comets o'er the Temple hung;
Voices unknown the Fall of Salem sung;
A thousand

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A thousand burning Forms the Æther knew, Laden with Plagues the streaming Vapours flew: Omens on Omens, Fears on Fears arole, To warn th'obdurate Tribes of their impending Woes: Factions in Faith the impious Land divide, The Holy Fire was grudgingly supply'd; Rebellion then was Zeal, whilst impious Swarms Reason'd on Sacred Truths by Force of Arms: No more in Peace th'attoning Victim dies, The Priests and People were the Sacrifice. These, Salem, were thy Crimes, the Guilt of Blood, Too haughty Nature, and Contempt of GOD, Impenitence and Pride: For these the Plain Of (b) Admab perish'd in the burning Rain. Thy Fall all Nature mourn'd; Heav'n, Earth and Air

Foretold thy Fate, and made thy Peace their Care. So Heav'n, indulgent to the Sinner's Cries, First lets some dawning Hopes of Mercy rise; Points at Repentance in some threatning Form, That, weeping, we may 'scape th'impending Storm; But if the distant Thunder is despis'd, Vengeance pursues, and the bold Rebel dies.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XLII.

(a) See Josephus.
(b) Admah — One of the five Cities of the Plain of Decapolis, destroy'd by Fire from Heav'n.



EMBLEM XLIII.

FATAL PIETY.

HE Morning rose, and bright Aurora play'd .

Her Purple Fires, in Orient Beams array'd,

On Argos' ancient Tow'rs: Argos, the Seats

Of (a) Coptic Tribes, now sees her shining Streets

All strow'd with fragrant Flow'rs, while the shrill

Voice

Of (b) Choirs Olympic pierce the radiant Skies With Great (c) Profymnia's Praise: Here (d) Mitr'd Trains

Of (e) Purple Vestals cry, Profymnia reigns;

There (f) Timbrels (10's Joy) foft Murmurs found, Here (g) Snowy Hecatombs, with Garlands crown'd, Follow the facred Pomp; there (b) Cornets play; The Youthful Band (i) devoted to the Day, Glitt'ring in Arms, fucceeds, and flowing Crefts, Eager to strive, and burning for the Lists: Before the Troop an Aged Augur bore (Clad in a (k) Linen Vest, all spangl'd o'er With Gold) the Sacred (1) Shield, of mighty Size, And (m) Myrtle Wreath, the happy Victor's Prize: Such (n) Danaus first from Warlike Ægypt brought, Such bore, when for the Argive Crown he fought; And, grateful to the Gods, with votive Pray'r Offer'd at Juno's Shrine, to make that Crown her Care: (o) Lynceus from thence the hallow'd Custom drew, Each Year with martial Games that Off'ring to renew; Argos each Year the Gracian Youth invites, The Heroes meet and celebrate the Rites.

All now was ready, and the joyful Train
March'd awful to (p) Anthea's ancient Fane;
(q) Argiva in her Iv'ry Chariot shone
In Gold and Purple, like the Rising Sun:
When, lo! the sacred Bulls the Yoke distain,
Break thro' th'affrighted Crowd, and bellow in the
Plain:

Plung'd headlong in the Stream, they tempt the Flood, And fink rash Victims to the (r) Azure God.

Now Sounds of Joy no more falute the Ear, Horror fills ev'ry Breaft, and black Despair; With falt'ring Tongue the trembling Augur stands, And weeping, prays with half up-lifted Hands;

Omens

Omens like this pronounce the heavy Doom
Of falling Empires, and dire Woes to come:
Avert it, Thou, whole (s) Native Tribes we are!
Avert it, Thou, who Argos mak'st thy Care!
(t) Pelasgian Juno, hear, and grant our Pray'r!
Thro' ev'ry Rank the thrilling Accents ran,
And ev'ry trembling Argive sigh'd, Amen!
Scarce was the pious votive Murmur ceas'd,
When (u) two brave Youths a (w) Rage Divine
possesses, forth from the hallow'd Band
There are the weigh regid From Hand in Hand

They ftart with rapid Fury, Hand in Hand, Seize the forfaken Yoke; their Shoulders bow'd To the important Toil, and glad th'astonish'd Crowd. No more the Priestess weeps, the ecchoing Sky Again resounds the loud turnultuous Joy, Like breaking Waves, the diftant Accents roll; And universal Transport reigns in All. Again the Mother smiles, the (x) Graces wait, Her awful Chariot moves in folemn State: Patient of Toil, the pious Youths go on, And deathless Glory by their Duty won; Each to excel in the great Labour strives, Till at the Temple Gates the pompous Train arrives: The Victims bleed, propitious Juno smiles, And grateful Omens confecrate their Toils. When thus Argiva to the Namen pray'd, In the full Torrent of her Joys, --- and faid: O let the greatest Good the Gods can lend, The richest Blessing, this great Act attend! Let Guardian Angels bear the Bounty down,

And with the Godlike Gift the pious Heroes crown!

With

With ravish'd Soul, she scarce this Pray'r had spoke, When (y) Thunder from the Left auspicious broke, And seal'd the Vow.----Then peaceful Slumbers rose Around the hallow d Pair, and soft Repose Sooth'd Nature to her long eternal Rest; Too satal Issue of a rash Request:

The weeping Mother mourns her satal Pray'r; When thus (z) Olympia spoke:--Vain Tears forbear, Thy Sons are happy, and above thy Care; Seated in Bliss, the greatest Good they know, Joys which thro' long Eternal Periods slow, Secure from Passion, and exempt from Woe.

Argiva heard, and from her Death-pale Brows

The facied Fillets and Tyara throws,
With Mother's Pangs their Clay-cold Corpfe embrac'd,
And fainting, fought their Souls among the Blefs'd.

NOTES to EMBLEM XLIII.

(a) Coptic Tribes — Ægyptians so call'd, from Coptos, an ancient City of that Country upon the Red Sea, and giving Name to the Whole, quasi aia Coptou, the Land of Coptos; near which were the original Seats of the Capthorim, Sons of Mizraim, from whence being driven by the Fugitive Canaanites, or Phanicians, slying from Johua, they invaded the rest of the Lower Egypt, conquer'd the Kingdom of Memphis, and lay'd the Foundation of what Manetho terms the Pastoral Dynasties; these were expell'd again by the Kings of Thebais, or Upper Egypt, slying for Shelver at several times to Phanicia, Asia Minor, and Greece; to which last, Colonies were led by Pelasgus, Lelex, Inachus, and others, under the general Name of Pelasgi, or Dispers'd Wanderers; those under Inachus seiz'd Argos and Sicyon; from whom were deriv'd the succeeding Inhabitants.

(b) Choirs Olympic — The Egyptians us'd Voices in Chorus with Timbrels, instead of Pipes, in their Sacrifices; call'd Olympic, in Lonour of Juno Olympia, who was had in peculiar Honour at Argos.

Sec Note (2).

(c) Profymnia — Juno, to call'd from a Temple the had at Profymnia, tays Strabo; others from Profymnia, one of the Hora, Daughters of Ajerion, who nurs'd her.

(d) Mitr'd

(d) Mitr'd Trains — So term'd from the Mithræ, er Fillets, which the Vestals of Juno always were round their Temples, quasi Mitor Heras Fila Junonis; to which Apollonius gives the Epithet of Incorrupta, as denoting the unfully'd Purity of Virgin Innocence.

(e) Purple Vestals—From the Colour of their Veils, which Kind of Ornament the Romans also us'd in their Sacrifices, Eneas having been commanded so to do by Helenus in Virg. En. 3. when he sled from Troy. See Emb. XXXVI. Note (b).

(f) Timbrels, Io's Joy - They being always us'd in her Sacrifices,

and her Image found at Rome held one in its Lest Hand.

(g) Snowy Hecatombs—See before Emb. XXVI. Note (a), which were always of white Bulls in the Rites of Juno Argiva, term'd Heraia, to which this refers, instituted, says Hyginus, by Lynceus, the Son-in-Law and Successor of Danaus at Argos, who taking down the great Shield which Danaus had devoted in the Temple of that Goddess, he gave it with a Myrtle Wreath to his Son Abas, the first Conqueror in those Games, says the Commentator upon Pindar.

(b) Cornets - Were a Kind of Pipe, made generally at first of the Shank-Bone of an Ass, whence c il'd Tibiæ; but afterwards they

made 'em of Box, Horn, and sometimes Silver.

(i) Devoted Band — See Note (g) above, the Youth of Greece being invited to celebrate Martial Games at those Rites, in Honour

of Juno.

(k) Linen Vest - The Aged Priest so clad, who went before the rest, was term'd Kerux, or the Cryer, who proclaim'd the Name and Cause of the Festival, closing his Speech with these Words, Tis Ti de! Who is here? or, Who comes to partake of these Rites? From whence the Romans took their Hoc age on the same or like Occasions. his Liner Vest spangl'd with Gold, it is agreeable to Plato's Description of the Priestly Garment, and suitable to the Custom of all the Heathen, especially the Egyptians, to cloath their Kings and Priests on folemn Occasions with Garments of fine Linen, curiously wrough with Eyelett- Holes of Gold and various colour'd Silk; in which Evelett Holes not feldom were fasten'd Jewels of great Lustre and Value: These Garments were sometimes call'd Phrygian, those People being famous for such Kind of Embroidery. From one of these Gaments Horace terms Bacchus Bassareus, Carm. 1. 1. Od. 18. quasi Bussareus, from Buz, Byssus, which was the proper Name of that Kind of Linen, and Areus, Warlike, an Epither acquir'd by his Conquests in India, Scythia, Libya, and Greece; of which same Import is the Name of Shefbac, given by the Sacred Writings to Sefostris, the Egyptian Bacchus, or Osiris, signifying Byffinus Vastator, a Destroyer of Nations el d in a Linen Garment; from Shelb, the same as Buz, Bussus, or rather Succus Bystinus, and Shaach desolare, vastare, as Pugninus renders it; and to we read in Ex. xxviii, 20.

(1) Sacred Skield—See Note (g) above. (m) Myrtle Wreath—See also Note (g).

(n) Danaus — He was Son of the Agyptian Belus, and Brother of Agyptus, or Sefostris, the Agyptian Bacchus, or Osiris, against whom conspiring on his Return from his grand Expedition, he was drove

out of Agytt, and fled to Greece, where he feiz'd the Crown of Argos from Gelanor, says Apollodorus, but as others say, from Stheneleus; giving the Name of Danai to the Greeks, who before

were generally term'd Argivi and Pelasgi, says Strabo.

(0) Lynceus - One of the Sons of Ægyptus, or Sefostris, who mattied Hypermnestra, Daughter of Danaus, and having flain her Father, succeeded him in the Kingdom; instituting these Games in -Honour of Juno, and making a Myrtle Wreath the Prize of Victory, as before in Note (g).
(p) Anthea — A Name of Juno, form'd from the Epithet Anthia

Acrida, by which Title she had a celebrated Temple at Argos, before which, fays Paufanius in Cor. flood the Tombs of those Women (Lifyan Amazons) who came with Bacchus to the Siege of that

City, and were there flain

(9) Argiva - Priettels of Juno Argiva, which Epithet was given to Juno on Account of her being faid by Homer to have been born at Argos; as that of Pelospica was for the same Reason, the original Argives having born the Name of Pelasgi, as above in Note (a).

(r) Azure God - Ingo'us, Father of Io, fabl'd to be turn'd into a River, fee Ov. Met. which River, fays Strabo, is the only one of

Note in Argos, on or near which the City stands.

(s) Native Tribes - See above Note (q).

(t) Pelasgian Juno - See Note (q). So Argos is call'd Pelasgian

by Homer.

(u) Two brave Youths - Cleobis and Biton, Sons to the Priestess Juno Argiva, represented by Solon to Crasus in Herodotus for this pious Action to be much happier than he in all his Wealth and Grandeur.

(w) Rage Divine - An Excessus Mentis Concitatione quadam Influxus Divini, as describ'd by Cic. de Div. 1. and to which the Herthen imputed all Acts of uncommon and aftonishing Piety, Courage, or Wildom, as also the Gift of Prophecy and Divine Dreams. Plato in Phædro terms it a facred Fury imparted to Man by Impulse of the Divinity, far exceeding Natural Wildom and Prudence; by which, fays he, both the Oracles of Dodona and Delphos were deliver'd, Sibyl prophecy'd, and others have gone beyond the common Force of Nature; to which may be apply'd that of Laertius in Stoicis, That those only may properly be term'd Divine Per ons who are fill'd with the Divinity. We call this a State of Enthusiasm, and the Subjects of ir Enthafiasts, in Contradistinction to the Operations of the true Divine Spirit by Inspiration.

(x) Graces realt — Alluding to the Crown on the Statue of the Profymnian Juno, describ'd by Pausanius, in which the Hours and Graces were wrought with most admirable Workmanship.

(v) Thunder from the Left — The Left Hand in Auguries was always held fortunate; fee Cic. de Div. I. 1. and fo establish'd by the Law of the Twelve Tables, whence Intonuit lavum of Virgil, to fignify a lucky Omen.

(2) Olympia - Juno, the Wise and Sister of Jupiter Olympius; tho' generally apply'd to all the Upper or Calefial Deities, to diffinguish them from those of a Lower Rank, signifying no more than All Jaining with Light. See Note (b).

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EMBLEM XLIV.

The RECALL

HAT, hoa! deluded Soul, forbear to fly, Forfaking Heav'n and me, forfaking Joy! What Charm has Ruin, that your faithless Heart Thus leaves her first fair Love, to take false Nature's Part?

See where the glitt'ring Object you pursue Lays open all its Horrors to the View; Harmonious Order decks the outward Scene, But, O! 'tis flaming Mifery within: Like Sodom's gilded Fruit it cheats the Eye; But Plagues and Death beneath the Surface lye. I 2

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The shining Mischief Captive Sense invites, Stifles with Charms, and poisons with Delights.

Thus calls the watchful Spirit, to whose Care (If Human Beings Charge of (a) Angels are) Each living Soul Almighty Heav'n commends, When down from radiant Worlds the Guardian Form the fends.

Calls with repeated Voice by Omens, Dreams, By Conscience and our (b) Passions slowing Streams; But, O! in vain, for what can Nature move, When ev'ry Scene conspires to heighten Love? When strong Example leads us to Defire, And Youth and Beauty fan the raging Fire. Thrice happy he, who 'midst the grand Debate Preserves his Virtue, and prevents his Fate: Not that to fallen Reason's partial Voice He owes his Safety, but his Guardian's Voice; By that relenting Mercy calls him home, Triumphs o'er Nature, and averts his Doom.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XLIV.

(a) Charge of Angels - See before Emblem IV. Note (g), for the Sentiments of the wifer Heathen concerning Guardian Angels; to which may be added, in Confirmation of it, the allow'd Confent of both Jewish and Christian Divinity, and, above all, the direct Attestation of the Word of God.

(b) Passions flowing Streams - That Spirits both good and bad work on our Passions, by stirring up the Humours of the Human Body, is, I think, generally allow'd and undeniably prov'd by the Arguments of Aquinas in 1 Sam. qu. 111. whence the College of Conimbra, in their Scholia upon Aristotle, deduce the Causes of Divine Dreams, sudden Terrore besore immin nt, tho' unknown, Dangers; and the like.



EMBLEM XLV.

The CONSOLATION.

By one rash Act that Nature which he wore,
But his lost Race were wretched Victims made
To conscious Guilt, and the fall'n Angel's Pow'r:
Wrapt in dark Clouds of Ignorance we lay
Benighted, lost, and ev'ry way undone;
Peace, Innocence, and Hope were flown away,
And all the Glories of our Nature gone.
So Ev'ning Clouds the hast'ning Day conceal,
And chearful Light to gloomy Darkness bows;

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So blooming Beauty weeps beneath a Veil; And Northern Tempests check the opining Rose: Thus Nature mourn'd, Age after Age expir'd, No dawning Gleam of future Joys she saw; 'Till in Prophetic Streins from Heav'n inspir'd, Hope dawn'd imperfect in the Moral Law; At length Redemption, like the beamy Day, Broke from Empyrean Worlds, and shone around; Reviving Nature triumph'd in its Ray, And Grace and Glory in the Lumen found: Man, chearful Man, no longer then pursu'd The fleeting Shadows of uncertain Blifs; Th'Almighty Image in his Soul renew'd, Bid Reason bow to Faith, and false Delusions cease: No bleeding Victims then high Altars stain'd, No pompous Folly bore Religion's Name; No more the First Pure Being was profan'd With Clouds of Incense from the impious Flame. A burning Heart was then Heav'n's Sacrifice, The flowing Tears a rich Libation paid, Triumphant Souls by Faith cou'd pierce the Skies, And Tracks of Azure Worlds in Glory tread. So once Elijab, from the Sacred Coast Born on a flaming Chariot, wing'd his way To glowing Orbs and Heav'n's Ætherial Hoft, And lives immortal in a Flood of Day.





EMBLEM XLVI:

The Force of PIETY.

IS well, Philosophy! No more I'll court
Thy faithless Charms, th'Enjoyment is too
short

I meet in Nature; while my active Soul Pants after brighter Worlds, where GOD is All in All; There Truth is only found: O! Sacred Pow'r, Stream down into my Heart the balmy Show'r Of thy Almighty Grace; I feel it here, Heav'n hears my Voice, and has indulg d my Pray'r; The Sacred Wisdom of thy Cross and Thee, O endless Source of Immortality!

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Hence I'll pursue; 'till for (a) Ideal Joys
Thy Heav'nly Vision all my Soul employs:
Welcome, Seraphic Streams of Sacred Love,
Earnest of Glory and the Bliss Above;
How my Heart pants and opens all for Thee,
Nature is Transport, Reason Extasy;
All Heav'n is in my Breast: So the First Man
Felt the strong vital Pang, when Life began;
His Nerves all trembled with a Flood of Joy,
Unknowing what he felt, with upcast Eye
To Azure Worlds, he own'd the Pow'r Supreme;
Glow'd with Immortal Love, and triumph'd in the
Flame.

NOTE to EMBLEM XLVI.

(a) Idsal Jovs — That is, the Anticipations of those future Glories which are releaved for our Immortal State, by the Force of Imagination wrought upon by Faith and a lively Hope in our Minds; as the Shadow in Colours of any distant Prospect is slung by the Optic Glass of a Camera obscura in Miniature upon the Table of Reception; call'd Ideal, from Idea, signifying Forma, Species, the imaginary Draught in the Mind of Man of some real Form, which if it fully and wholly represents, is term'd an adequate Idea, if impersectly and in Part only, then is it inadequate or incapable of representing the entire Object; of which last Kind are all those we can enjoy in this Life of God and Immortality, for that, as St. Paul says to the Corinthians, we now only see in part, and prophecy in part; but when that which is persect shall be come, then shall that which is in part be done away.





EMBLEM XLVII.

The HERMIT.

Shou'd no vain Thoughts, no Pride, nor Envy dwell;
The Soul within herself ferene, shou'd here Like Nature's Golden Infancy appear,
Religious, unambitious, and sincere;
Abstracted from dull Earth: To such a Breast
'Tis no wild Defart, but a Place of Rest,
In which from Passion's Tyrant Pow'r set free,
The Soul moves calmly on to Immortality:

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With penitential Tears past Crimes she mourns, And in Seraphic Love's Ætherial Transports burns. Unenvy'd, undifturb'd in these Retreats, The pious Being true Perfection meets; Retir'd and free from the World's hurrying Noise, Sweet is her peaceful State, fincere her Joys; No Grandeur charms, no guilty Greatness moves, No Wealth she longs for, nor frail Beauty loves: Virtue is her fair Choice; no jealous Fears With fancy'd Woes her anxious Bosom wears: No Care she knows, no Dread of being Great, No wretched Pomp of miserable State Unhinge her Thought; but All is facred there; Her Days all Piety, her Nights all Pray'r: Heaven's holy Love each blissful Hour employs, And lift'ning Angels smile to see her Joys.





EMBLEM XLVIII.

S I B Y L.

Corpore toto stupens, trabor buc, ignota quid itsa Eloquar; Ipse sed bæc mandat Deus omnia fari. Carm Sib. Ed. Cast. p. 193.

OW wrapt in Thought! the Sacred Book she holds,

Whose awful Page the World's last Doom unfolds: From (a) Libyan Shores the (b) Mantic Virgin came, And taught (c) Chaldean Realms to spread her Fame; Greege next she saw, and in (d) Idean Groves, Seat of (e) Qenone's Woes and satal Loves,

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Wild and enrag'd, with more than Mortal Fire, She (f) spoke what Heav'n or Heav'nly Forms inspir'd: The Infant World describ'd in mystick Verse, And all the Horrors of the Flood rehears'd: Forefaw that Morn when Mortals should no more Mourn their lost Glories and the Dæmon's Pow'r: Reveal'd the Source whence Mercy first began, Nature's Redemption, and the Rife of Man: To Spartan Heroes spoke Troy's heavy Doom; And wept in Tears of Blood thy Fate, O Rome! But what is thine, to what Skies, Earth, and Sea, And Elements shall feel, when Time shall be In its last Close? Her mystic (g) Visions shew The All-confuming Fires which then shall flow From immaterial Orbs to burn these Worlds below. This was the fatal Burthen of her Song; Such Themes to (b) Pythian Muses best belong; (i) Compell'd to utter what she scarce believ'd; While tender (k) Leaves the (l) unknown Truths receiv'd:

In scatter'd Heaps the hallow'd Foliage lay,
Some eat by Time, some blown by Winds away,
Whence broken Numbers in her Verse we find,
The Sense impersect, but the Force Divine:
Ages roll'd o'er 'em, to Mankind unknown,
'Till (m) Cumæ's Sage first made the Work her own;
From (n) Aitic Climes brought the rich Treasure home,
And bore the copy'd Oracles to Rome:
(o) Barter'd th'important Volumes there for Gold,
Twice three consum'd, the others meanly sold;
To Mortal's Censure Fate's great Rolls betray'd,

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And King and People trembl'd as they read.

NOTES on EMBLEM XLVIII.

Sibyl—Is as much as to fay, a Person conscious of the Divine Countel or Decrees, and capable of revealing 'em in Oracular Pradictions, from Sios, Eolice, pro Theios, Divinum, et Boule, Consilium; whence call'd Sabba, and Sambetha, on the same Account.

by other Nations.

Of these, common Opinion reckons up ten, which, according to Varro's Lift, are, the Persian, Libyan, Delphic, Cumaan, Erythraan, Samian, Hellespontic, Phrygian, Tiburtine, and She of Cuma; all which are, by Dionysius Halicar, Strabo, Josephus, and others, resolv'd into one, that is, the Erythraan, whom her Prophecies of the MESSIAH'S Birth, State of the Gospel, and Consummation of all Things, have plac'd in a more conspicuous Light than the rest: Bue Pausanias from Cumanus admits of four; that is, Lamia, Daughter of Neptune and Libya, who was the Perfic, and Libyan of Varro; Eropbyla, her Daughter, who was the Erythræan, and, by travelling to Marpeffus, Samos, and other Cities, where she utter'd Oracles, feems to unite the Characters of the Erythræan, Samian, Hellespontic, and Phrygian, or Idean, Sibyl, the last from Mount Ida in Phrygia, the original Seat both of herself and Mother; Demo, the Daughter of Erophyla, by the Name of Idea, who prophecy'd at Cuma in Æolis; and, lastly, Sabba, the Babylonian, which is indeed only a Repetition of the first or oldest Sibyl. To which Clement adds Artemis, or Themis, the Daughter of Lamia, and Sister of Apollo, the Delphic Sibyl.

But to pursue the common Tradition.

The 1st, or Persian Sibyl, wrote of the Acts of Alexander, as also of the Preaching of John the Baptist, and is sometimes call'd the

Chaldee and Hebrew Sibyl; the Sambetha of Suidas.

The 2d, or Libyan, is mention'd by Euripides in the Prologue to his Lamia, and is sometimes term'd the Egyptian Sibyl; and is by Pausanias, under the Name of Lamia, taken to be the same with the former, and I think with his 4th also, whom he calls Sabbathe Babylonian.

The 3d, or Delphic, Chrysippus calls Themis, but Clement of Alexandria, Arthemis, making her the Daughter of Lamia, and Sister of Apollo; many of whole Verses are said to be engrated by

Homer into his Poems.

The 4th was the Cumean, of Cuma in Eolis, Deno by Name, whose Urn was seen by Justine Martyr in that City; she was the Daughter of Erophyla, the Erythræin Sibyl, and of en mittaken for her; was visited by Eneas under the Name of Deiphobe,

flourishing about the Time of the Trojan War.

The 5th was Erophyla, call'd alio Idea, the Daughter of Lamia, and Mother of Demo, whose first Sears were on Mount Ida in Phrygia, from whence she remov'd to Erythree, and other Places, by that means being the most noted and samous of all the Sibyls, call'd Erophyla.

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Erophyla, from writing her Verses on Leaves, as mention'd by Juvenal, Virgil, and others; she was born at Babylon, tho' Apollodorus calls her his Countrywoman. She foretold the Destruction of Troy; and, for the Clearness of her Prophecies concerning the Gospel Mysteries, may not improperly be term'd the Evangelical Sibyl.

The 6th, or Samian, is call'd Phyto by Eratosthenes; but generally thought to have been the same with the Erythræan, who prophecy'd

at Samos, and many other Places, as Cumanus affures us.

The 7th, or Hellespontic, is by Heraclides Ponticus made Cotemporary with Cyrus and Cræsus, and born in Troas; but better Authors resolve her into the Erythræan also.

The 8th, or Phrygian, is plac'd by Tradition at Ancyra, but in reality was no other than Erophyla, or her Mother Lamia, who, on their

first coming to Greece, settled on Mount Ida in Phrygia.

The 9th, or Tiburtine, is call'd Albunea, and fiid to be worshipp'd at Tibur, near which her Image was found in the River Anio, to whom are by fome afcrib'd the Evangelical Prophecies, mention'd

above in the Char cler of Erythræa.

The roth, or Cumana, of Cume in Italy, was Amalthea, and is generally thought to be her, who having collected the Works of all the tormer in nine Volumes, proffer'd 'em to Tarquin, King of Rome, but he twice rejecting 'em, she went away and burnt three each Time, after which he bought the rest at the Price she demanded for all; laying them up in the Capitol, for the keeping and confulting whereof, first two, and afterwards fifteen Men were appointed. but being butnt with the Capitol, they were restor'd again by Ambassadors sent into Greece, who brought from thence 1000 Veries: These were purg'd by Augustus, and all spurious Copies call'd in and burnt; the Originals being laid up in two Golden Drawers under the Image of Apollo Pallatinus. They were revis'd again, and many other Copies burnt in the Time of Tiberius. on a Disturbance, says Dio, about a Prophecy concerning the Burning of Rome about that Time: But Julian, the Apoltace, being prefold with their Evidence for the Truth of Christianity, endeavour'd to destroy 'em, and to that End set the Temple of Apollo Pallatinus on Fire, but the Priests preserving them from the Flames, he took another Method, endeavouring to destroy their Credit, by caufing 'em to be interpolated and c rrupted in many Places. pursuance of whole Scheme, all the Enemies of Christianity since have endeavour'd to over brow their Au hority and destroy their Evidence, pretending what we now have were forg'd by the Greek Christians between the Death of Adrian, A.C. 138, and Justine's writing his Apology; whereas the Original Poems were not destroy'd 'till the Time of Honorius, by Stillico, before which Time almost all the Fathers of the second, and many of the third and fourth Centuries, had made use of their Testimony against the Heathen in Behalf of Christianity, and even Constantine himself, after the most exact Enquiry, approv'd their Authority; the Subject and Substance of their Oracular Prædictions agreeing with that of the most ancient Copies receiv'd with Veneration even by the wifer Heathens Heathens themselves, especially the Platonists, long before the Times of Adrian or Justine; so that it is amazing to me that so many now reject 'em, at least it would be so, if I did not consider that Scepticism and Freethinking supply the Place with too many of Piety and Religion, and whatever makes against 'em is never to be admitted by 'em: Otherwise, it is easy to believe that the Poems we now have are what were preserved by private Copies from the excellent Originals, before they were lost; impersect, it is true, thro' the Want of Power to collate them, and in some things interpolated, thro' the Envy of Hereticks: But if nothing is to be received but what is pure and persect, we must reject all the Fathers,

and firip Christianity of all Human Attestation.

(a) Libyan Shores - Lamia, the first and most ancient Sibyl, was Daughter of Neptune, King of Libya Cyrenaica, the Neptuchim of the Ancients, and Libya his Wife; and Gnofte, as the terms herfelf, that is, nearly related to Isis, the Sifter and Wife of Ofiris, King of From hence fine went to Babylon, whether, as many other Egypt. Librar Women did, following the Fortunes of Ohris, or Bacchus, in his grand Expedicion, is not told us; but it is certain the went from thence to Greece much about that Time, for Apollodorus fixes it to the Reign of Picus in Italy, who was younger Half-Brother to Minos, whose Daughter, Ariadne, Bacchus, or Ofiris, married in that Expedicion; and the fays herfelf, That tho' fhe was of another Country, the shall be taken by the Greeks for Circe; and Circe was she, who being in Love with Picas, chang'd him, out of Jealousy, into a Bird of his own Name, according to the Humour of the Poets. Babylon the feems first to have affum'd her Prophetic Character, being there call'd Sabba, which is the same as Sibyl; from whence, she tells us, she came to Greece, whither, says Pausanias, the Sibyline Poems were first brought out of Asia.

(b) Mantic Virgin—Is as much as to fay Prophetic, by a Divine Fury, for so the Greeks us'd the Term Manteia, from minomai, infanio. Plato in Phædro terms it the Gift of God to Man, and reters to it both the Oracles of Delphos and Dodona, and the Sibyline Poems, which must nevertheless be taken with this Distinction of Cicero's, de Div. I. t. Quod terræ vis Pythiam Delphis incitabat Naturæ Sthyllani, who, he says a little before, particularly naming the Erythræan, deliver'd her Oracles per furorem instinctu afflatuque divino; s did also many of the most famous Poets, says Plato in Ione; for, says his Commentator Ficinus, there were sour Sorts of Divine Fury, suitable to the four Ascents of the Soul to her sirst great Principle and original Persection; that is to say, Poetic, which is the lowest; Myssic, which is what we may properly term Religious, and was the 2d; Mantice, or the Gift of Prophecy and Divination, the 3d; and Love, meaning that of Divine Objects, the 4th and highest. See

more in Emb!. XLIII. Nove (ac)

(c) Chaldean Realms — Budylon fo call'd, not from the Chaldees, who were the Descendants of Shem, and were so term'd from Chal, tota, sive universalis, et Dark, Lew, from their Observation of the whole Law, that is, of Nature confirm'd by God to Man; bur from its abounding with a Race of Superstitious Astrologers, Calcularors of

Nativities,

Nativities, and Supputators of Times; call'd Chafdim, from Chafas, supputare, numerare, & Daim tempora, for so the original Word is

wiote, tho' render'd by us Chaldeans.

(d) Idean Groves — Mount Ida in Phrygia, where Sibyl fix'd her first Seats, probably on the Return of Osiris, or Bacchus, the Sesestris of Egypt, to his own Country, as the Libyan Amazons, who came with him, also did theirs on the Banks of Thermodon, his Singing Women on Mount Helicon, and others in other Places; concerning which see Sir Isaac Newton's most excellent Chronology.

(e) Oenone — A Nymph of Mount Ida, belov'd by Paris when a Shepherd, but forsaken by him when he knew he was a Prince. She is said to have told him, on his going to Greece, that he would bring

home with him the Firebrand of his Country.

(f) She spake what Heav'n—See before Note (h). That the Sibylline Poems were wro'e by an Inspir'd Impulse, is universally allow'd, not only by the best and wisest Heathen, but the most early Fathers of the Christian Church; among whom, Justine Martyr, Clem. Alex. Tertullian, St. Jerom, and St. Austin, not to mention Constantine the Emperor, stand in the foremost Rank, looking on 'em as a Kind of facred Anchor against the Enemies of Christianity; and tho' a late Author has labour'd much to little Purpose to depreciate both them and the Fathers, the End he aims at is too visible not to take off the Force of every Ipse dixit he brings against 'em, in which the whole Force of his Arguments consists; nor am I assaid to affert, that Virgil's sourth Ecloque is a beautiful Epitome of their Evangelical Prophecies misapply'd, tho' he is very angry with all that think io.

(g) Visions seew—By Vision was one Way whereby Prophetick

(g) Visions Bew — By Vision was one Way whereby Prophetick Perions receiv'd their Knowledge of those Things they foretold; seeing'em in a Kind of Extasy (excessive mentis) as represented before their Eyes, delivering what they say in Prophetick Description, thence call'd Seers, a Way of Prophecy not unusual among the Fews, even in sacred Subjects, as is apparent from that of the Angel to Zechariah, c. i. v. 20. Nathan to David, 2 Sam. vii. 17. Balaak taking up his Prophecy in Numbers, that of Exek, xii, and xiii.ch. and many other

Places of Holy Scripture.

(b) Pythian Muses — The Pythian Oracles being deliver'd furente animo, by Influx of an unclean Spirit, whom the Greeks term'd Pytho, and the Hebrews Ob, atcending out of a Hole in the Earth in the Cave of Delphos, concerning the Manner whereof you may confult Plux. de Orac. Def. Seld. de Deis Syr. &c. from thence it has been usual to apply the Term Pythian to all ext tic and enthusiastic Performances. See Embl. XXVI. Note (d).

(i) Compell'd to utter - See Note foregoing, and (b) above.

(k) Leaves—On which the Sibytline Oracles were wrote, as both Virgil and Juvenal mention, giving the Name of Erophyla, or, as Solinus spells it, Eriphyla, (a Speaker by Leaves) to the Erythraean

Sibyl, as observ'd above.

(1) Unknown Truths — So this Kind of Prophecying, excessumentis, is described by St. Ambrose, on Ps. 39. the Persons to prophecying, says he, being transported as to their Understanding, spoke what they knew not, being so filled with the Spirit, that they seemed distracted;

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as Sibyl fays of herfelf in the Motto to this Emblem, and in other

Places of her Prophetick Writings.

(m) Cumz's Sage — The Sibyl of Italy, who fold the Sibyline Poems to Tarquin, as fome think, but as others to Tullus Hostilius, and others again to Numa, Kings of Rome. See the first Note to this Emblem, in the Account of the 10th Sibyl.

(n) Attic Climes - Greece so call'd, from Attica, a most celebrated

Part and Province thereof.

(o) Barter'd th'important Volumes — See Note (m), and Account of the 10th Sibyl in the first Note of this Emblem.





The WEDDING of PELEUS.

T'VE read that once the Deities,
Dress'd in their Pumps and smart Tupeés,
Like Beaus of Taste; those Forms I mean
(a) Homer so often ushers in,
The Subjects of his Epic Scene;
Whose Acts Heroic fill the Pages
Of Heathen Greec and Roman Sages;
Were call'd by Hérmes to attend
The Nuptials of a (b) Female Friend:
The bright Calificial Dames, for they
Were summon'd too to grace the Day,

Waited

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Waited in (c) Peleus's Great Hall, Impatient to begin the Ball: When (d) Discord, fierce (e) Bellona's Sister; Enrag'd that Mercury had mis'd her, And not to her a Prefent made Of Tickets for the Masquerade, Threw from her Lap into the Room A gilded (f) Apple streak'd with Bloom; Whose Colours, struck with mystic Art, Were Emblems of a jealous Heart: Inscrib'd, To ber that merits best, It flew to wife Minerva's Breast, But what was Wisdom to controu! That Tyrant Paffion in the Soul: Venus forgot her wonted Grace, And frowning, spoil'd her lovely Face; Juno no more cou'd bear the Place; Diana flew into the Woods, Some put on Capuchins, some Hoods, Prepar'd to leave th'unwelcome Feast, Confusion reign'd in ev'ry Breast, Resolv'd, e'er Thetys were a Bride, (g) Paris the Contest shou'd decide: (b) Cypris her blooming Charms wou'd boaft, But nothing faid of Virtue loft; And (i) Pallas in her Cause wou'd prove Her issuing from the Head of Yove; But Juno, Queen of all the rest, Thought she deserv'd the Present best: Suspicion, hoodwink'd, ran before, And jostl'd Cupid out of Door, Lam'd

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Lam'd one of his fair Mother's Doves, And spoil'd the Equipage of Love: Calm Peace took Wing, and when 'twas Day Determin'd to have flown away; Ev'n Friendship's facred Chain was broke: When (k) Hymen in his tawny Cloak Seiz'd on the false mischievous Ball, And let it on the Pavement fall; The brittle Toy, made up for Shew, Burst in the Middle quite in two; And shew'd the Cause of all their Pain, Was hollow, empty, weak and vain: Cupid came back, and took the Hint, You see, cry'd he, there's nothing in't; Juno resum'd her wonted Air, Pallas was wife, and Venus fair; But still determin'd to complain Of flighted Charms to Ida's Swain; Gay Friendship smil'd, and Peace return'd. Each ravish'd Breast with Transport burn'd; And Gods and Goddeffes agreed That thenceforth it shou'd stand decreed, Hymen's bleft Bow'r shou'd guarded be By Love and Strict Fidelity; Discord shou'd never enter there, Sufpicion, Jealoufy, nor Fear, But ev'ry Pair with faithful Fondness prove The Force of Firtue and the Pow'r of Love.

NOTES ON EMBLEM XLIX.

(a) Homer—Plutarch in his Criticism upon Homer says, He introduces the Gods into his Poem, not merely to amuse his Readers, or strike 'em with Surprize, but to insinuate into their Minds that the Affairs of Men are under the Care of the Gods, and not neglected by

'em.

(b) Thetys — Daughter of Nereus, first lov'd by Jupiter. but given by him, out of a Prophetick Fear, to Peleus, Son of Zacus, says Apollodorus, by Persuasion of Prometheus, the Wedding being publickly kept in Mount Peleus, in Presence of all the Deiries; but Thetys afterwards leaving him, he gave his young Son Ligyros to Chiron to be brought up, wherefore he was afterwards call'd Achilles, from being brought up without a Breast. Hesiod wrote an Exitbalamium upon this Wedding, but it is lost.

(c) Peleus's Great Hall - See foregoing Note.

(d) Discord—Not being invited to the Wedding, convey'd a Golden Apple into the Room, inscrib'd, He kale labero, that is, Let the Fair One take it; whereon a Dispute immediately arose between Juno, Minerva and Venus, who all claim'd it, and, after much Contest, referr'd the Affait to the Judgment of Paris, who gave it in Favour of Venus.

(e) Bellona — The Wife and Sifter of Mars, call'd by the Greeks Enyo, Goddefs of War; not improperly call'd the Sifter of Discord.

(f) Gilded Apple - See Note (d).

(g) Paris — Son of Priamus, King of Troy, by his Queen Hecuba, who dreaming the Child the went with would prove the Destruction of his Country, Priamus gave it, when born, to a Servant to expose it to the Wild Beasts; but he deliver'd it to a Shepherd on Mount Ida to bring up; where growing up, he was so tameus for his Justice in determining Disputes among his Neighbours, that the three Rival Goddesses referr'd themselves to him concerning the Golden App'e, which he adjudg'd to Venus.

(b) Cypris—AN me of Venus. See Emblem XXXVI. Nore (c).

(i) Pallas—The fame with Minerva, call'd also by the Greeks Arbena, Daughter of Jutiter and Metis, whom, being big with Child, he, by Advice of Terra and Uranius, devour'd, says Hessod, less the should bring one who might be Competitor with him for the Supreme Place; after which, says Afollodorus, going to the Lake Triton, when the Time for the Child's being born was come. Prometheus open'd his Head, and Pallas issued out from it. But Herodutus says she was Daughter of Neptune and Tritonia, but being disgusted with her Father, slung herself under Jusiter's Protection, who adopted her: And Sir Isaac makes her, under the Name of Myrina, lead the Libyan Anazons (in which Country the Lake Triton, where he was born, and Games, says Herodutus, are celebrated to her Honour, is) to Greece, in the Expedition of Oficis, or the Experian Bacchus: Of which Country Pomposius Mela also makes her, the Pausanias endeavours

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endeavours to prove her a Greek. Of the same Opinion with Mela and Herodotus is Lucan also; and Diodorus tells us, she was call'd Tritogenia by the Ægyptians. She seems to have been thought the

Goddess of Prudence and Fortitude.

(k) Hymen.— The God of Marriage, Son of Bacchus and Venus, fay fome, of Urania fays Catullus, but Afelepiades fays of Calliope, whence the Title of Mufe-born is often given him; not but there were four others his Copartners in prefiding over the Marriage Rite, who were Jupiter, Juno, Venus, and Suadela, or Diana, fays Plutarch, in Monour of whom five Torches were always lighted at Nuptial Ceremonies, and no more; alluding to whose yellow Flame, the Tawny or Crocean Colour is ascrib'd to Hymen.



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EMBLEM L.

TIME and PROVIDENCE.

All created Forms deftroys;
No Strength his wondrous Strokes can stand,
But the Immense Almighty Voice;
Martial Trophies, stately Fanes,
Learning, nor rich Imperial Domes,
Nor Beauty, nor the Muses Streins,
Can flourish where this Tyrant comes:
All Things bow down before his Pow'r,
Ev'n Nature must his Laws obey;

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The Sun and Moon, when Time's no more,
Diffolv'd in Blood, shall melt away;
'Tis only Heav'n which can controul
The rapid Fury of his Blow;
When stated Periods cease to roll,
Time must to that and Nature bow:
'Till then the Great Preserving Hand
Of Heav'n postpones the dreadful Scene,
When all this Universe shall end,
And Tracks of endless Times begin;
Times which all Reach of Thought exceed
All Limits of the Human Mind,
Which Springs of Infinite Duration feed,
And leave Finite Mortality behind.

NOTE ON EMBLEM L.

Time — Its true Definition is admirably contain'd in the Hebreto Word Dai, whose true Signification is Quod sufficit, from whence, I imagine, our Word Day is deriv'd; a Term sometimes us'd in Holy Scripture for Eternity itself, of which Time is but a Portion sufficient for us, adapted to the Necessities of our Morial Nature. Plato in Phedro calls it the Flowing Image of Eternity contain'd in Numbers and Parts, while that remains entire in an indivisible Unity: The Distinctions of Was and Will be, being only properly applicable to Time, but (Is) the Great Characteristic of Eternity. Tertullian in Logetico Apologetico calls Time, That Age which runs out from the Beginning of all Things created, with the Ending whereof it shall meet its Ciose; the Sum of whose Duration is, The Body of Times; a much more adequate Idea of it than what Aristotle gives us under the low Character of, The Measure of Motion.





EMBLEM LI.

St. PAUL.

A RISE, Converted Saint! The Numen shines
Around th'astonish'd Soul with Influence
Divine:

Hark! A Voice calls thee from yon Blest Abode, Let Nature tremble, 'tis the Voice of GOD: Rise, Monument of Mercy! Rise and pray, Angels wait for Thee in that Burst of Day: Go, teach the list'ning World, Redemption's pass'd, Messiah triumphs, and the World's at rest; Go, drive Infernal Hosts from impious Shrines, Bid Oracles no more delude Mankind;

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Bid frantic (a) Orgies cease; GOD's Pow'r rehearse. And thunder Mercy thro' the Universe: Thy burning Zeal this faithless Age requires, To purge Apostate Souls with Heav'n's refining Fires; O! were thy hallow'd Eloquence to preach, Thy Zeal reprove, or facred Learning teach, Mistak'n Nature wou'd confess the Charm, Forfake her Darling Errors, and reform; Proudly affert her boafted Strength no more, Nor dare blaspheme the Great Redeeming Pow'r: No longer humble Faith wou'd Cenfure bear, Nor blush with Horror at the impious Sneer; No Want of Piety wou'd then be Wit, Nor publick Garlands crown the Hypocrit; Thy awful Presence might Men's Crimes restrain, And True Religion bless the World again; W----d no more shou'd Droves of Converts boast, Nor ring the Ears of huge deluded Hofts With impious Arts, no more Truth's Glories shade, Whilft Sion mourns in vain to fee her Sons betray'd.

NOTE on EMBLEM LI.

(a) Orgies—Was a Name at first apply'd only to the Rites of Bacshus, apo tees Orgees, that is, from the Rage and Fury of Ceres, or Iss, represented therein by the Bacchanalian Women, describ'd by Ovid in his Fable of Pentheus, as also by Livy, Clem. Alex. and others; afterwards the Name was apply'd generally to all Heathen Rites, as the deriv'd apo tou Argein, ab arcendo, from driving all profane and common People from 'em; from whence that of Catullus, Orgia qua frustra cupiunt audire profani.





EMBLEM LII.

The CHRISTIAN HERO.

S O arm'd with Faith, thy Guardian Angel's Care, Rest, pious Soul, for HEAV'N itself is there; Let the World's Foe o'er fallen Nature reign, Where Heav'n's high Hand defends, he strikes in vain;

Not all his fiery Darts can wound the Breast, Where conscious *Virtue* is the constant Guest: Go on, brave *Hero*, tread the Blissful Way, This Hour is thine; but Danger waits Delay: Thy faithful Monitor points out the Road; Such Calls are facred, and the Pow'r of GOD:

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The (a) Gate stands open, Love has enter'd in, And clear'd the Passage from the Pangs of Sin; Fear not to die, the hallow'd Path is strew'd With fragrant Roses by a suff'ring GOD: Fresh Lillies blossom there, fair Virtue's Bloom, And Odours rise from ev'ry Christian Tomb: There All is Peace, there Saints and Martyrs rest, The Patient triumph, and the Poor are bless'd; There Heav'n and all its Joys shall charm thy Soul, There mighty (b) Periods after Periods roll; Duration knows no Bounds, there All is Bliss; There Angels dwell in endless Happiness: Who then that's Man, a Being born to die, Wou'd fear the Sacred, Heav'nly Path to try, Whose Gate is Mercy, and whose End is Foy?

NOTES to EMBLEM LII.

(a) Gate, &c. — The Gate of Immortality set open by our Redeemer's first palling in our Nature thro' it, that we may follow kim, as says Cyprian de El. Christ submitted to die, that by dying he might bestow Immortality upon Men; and Chrysoft. in Gen. the Death of the Son

of God was to us Life and Immortality.

(b) Periods — That is, Revolutions, which when spoke with regard to Eternity, are not to be understood as distinct Series, or Æra's, that is, Fluxions of Time, succeeding one another; but as reitersted Revolutions of the same immense Circle of endless Duration, whose Center is God, and its Circumserence his Power; stom which Idea it is that God himself is describ'd by Hermes as an immense Circle, whose Center is every where, and Circumserence no where.





EMBLEM LIII.

The SACRED CHOIR.

AIL, Sacred Choir! Your tuneful Voices raise, The Theme is Holy, 'tis (a) JEHOVAH's Praise: Not so (b) Pierian Streins can charm the Soul, Not so harmonious Spheres in Concert roll, Not all the Musick of the Universe Can ev'ry Nerve of list'ning Nature pierce Like your Seraphic Lays; when all combin'd, You tune to HEAV'N's high Praise the Human Mind. So in the first fair Morn the (c) Angels sung, While Sweets of (d) Hybla dwelt upon their Tongue;

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The facred Accents, like the (e) Soul of Love, Fill'd ev'ry Form below, and ev'ry Orb Above: Then Harmony began, thence Order flow'd From Heav'n's Almighty Voice, and ravish'd Nature bow'd.

See, Venerable Train, the Heav'ns bow down,
And all its dazzling Glories are your own:
Faith glows with Transport, Hope is hallow'd Fire,
And facred Charity all pure Defire;
Justice is void of Fear, chaste Temperance smiles,
And Prudence Life's sad Woes with suture Joys
beguiles:

All wait on Thee, Brave Fortitude, and feel In ev'ry Storm of Life thy Comforts still; Let Tempests rage, let sinking Nature sail, And the last Wreck o'er the lost World prevail; Still they are fix'd on Thee, in that (f) lov'd Form, Whose awful Smiles to True Devotion warm; Thee they adore, to Thee their Voices frame, And sing sweet (g) Hallehijahs to thy Name.

NOTES to EMBLEM LIII.

(a) Jehovah—The Great Tetragrammaton, or ineffable Name of God, confisting of four Letters among the Hebrews, which was never pronounc'd as wrote, but by the High Priest on the Great Day of Expiation in the Holy of Holies, for which, says R. Mos. Eg. in More Neb. the pious Fathers invented the Name of twelve Letters, Abbarubbkdos, pronounc'd Abbaruabakado'b, that is, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, by which they us'd to bleis the Congregation, 'till the Time of Simeon Justus, who was the last that us'dit; after which the Name Adonai, that is, Lord, was us'd in its stead, to signify the Name Jebovah, IHVH, which they dar'd not pronounce, being the Name, says Avenezra, of the Divine Essence, comprehending Eternal Duration in itself, whence call'd Sembammephoras, or the Name explain'd, that is, which pointed out to then the Evernity and Immensity of the Divine Nature, admirably render'd by Sr. John in the Apocalysis, Ho on kai ho an kai ho erkomenos, Who is, who was, and who is to come.

(b) Pierian Streins — That is, the Songs of the Muses, call'd Pierides by Virgil, Ecl. 2. from Pieria, the ancient Emathia, Part of Macedon, the Place of their Nativity, says Strabo, 1. 10. But Sir Isaac Newton says they were so call'd from one Pierius, a Thracian, who joining with some Ægyptian Singing Women and Minstrels attending Sefostris, or Osiris, that is the Ægyptian Bucchus, in his Expedition to Greece, settled, at his Departure, near Mount Parnasses, which he had conquer'd, and caus'd to be dedicated to him, by the joint Name of Phabus and Bromius, as Lucan observes, that is, Apollo and Bacchus. Hestod places'em on Mount Helicon, not sar off, calling them the Daughters of Jupiter and Minemosyne.

(c) Morn, Angels — So Angels are by Job, c. xxxviii. 7. call'd Morning Stars, and Sons of God, finging and shouting to the Praises of God for his Glory in the Creation, of which they are suppos'd to have been the first Article, under the Name of Light, Gen. i. 3.

(d) Hybla—A Mountain in Sicily, abounding in Thyme and other most fragrant Aromatic Herbs and Flowers, whence the most delicious Honey was drawn; us'd on that Account by the Poets as a Metaphor for the sweetest Accents and most harmonious Numbers,

thence call'd Mellifluous Streins.

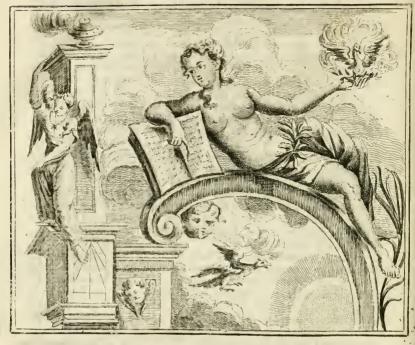
(e) Soul of Love—Hermes, Plato, Zeno, Cicero, and almost all the Ancients, thought every created Form to be animated with the Spirit of the Divinity, as with a universal Soul, in and by which they all substituted and were preserved; which Hermes, by the Name of a subtle, fine, intelligent Stirit, says existed in the Chaos and Principia of Nature, the Bond of Union, and Vinculum Amoris, whereby all Things are held together with an adorable Harmony; from whence the Spiritus intus alit of Ovid seems to be derived.

(f) That lov'd Form - An Apostrophe from Fartitude to the Redeemer, whose Form appears in the Cut above the Virtues in the

Clouds of Heaven.

(g) Hallelujahs - A Hebrew Word, signifying Praise God, or the Praise of God.





EMBLEM LIV.

FAITH.

R my Eyes fail me, or amaz'd I fee Divinity and Love united there;
The Calm of Truth with facred Extafy,

The Strength of Angels, and the Force of Pray'r.

'Tis Faith, who, (a) Phonix like, for ever burns
In Love's pure Fires, nor to dull Earth returns;
The faithful Soul like Incense mounts the Skies,
Consumes herself in Pray'r, yet never dies;
With the strong Eagle's Flight she courts new Day,
And basks and triumphs in the burning Ray;
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Heav'n's Law is her Support, she knows no more Than that reveals, nor *Reason*'s Pow'r adores;

Angelic Life her steadfast Hope attends,

No Cloud disturbs her Joy, for *Truth* and She are Friends.

"Twas for this FAITH Heroic Martyrs dy'd,
Bled with full Joys, and Hell's worst Pow'r defy'd:
Deep rooted in their Hearts, the fair Flow'r grew,
Water'd by Heav'n, and Heav'n's Almighty Dew;
Bore Golden Fruit, nor School Distinctions knew;
Droop'd with no Error, taded with no Vice,
Nor aim'd to be Haretically wise;
The Sacred Page its Piety approv'd,
Read that with Transport, bow'd, obey'd and lov'd.

NOTE to EMBLEM LIV.

(a) Phanix — A Bird, says Pliney, existing but one at a Time, which is all the Species, larger than the Eagle, more beautiful than the Peacock, with a Ring of Golden Feathers round its Neck, the rest bright Purple mingl'd with White, Blue, and Rose-Colour; with a Plume upon its Head. Mela says it lives 500 Years, others more; when building itself a Nest of Aromatic Woods, Gums and Spices on the Palm-Tree, it sans it with its Wings'till it sires by Heat of the Sun in Arabia Fælix, where it resides, and so consumes itself in it, from whose Ashes a Worm is engender'd by the Sun's Rays, which in Time grows to another Phanix. Herodotus calls it a Sicred Bird, appearing in Egypt but once in 500 Years; bringing the Ashes of its Sire roll'd up in the Aromatic Nest in the Shape of an Egg to the Temple of the Sun at Heliopolis, where it lays it on the Altar to be consumed; they represent it in Colours of Crimson and Gold: Its Name it seems to take from the Date or Palm Tree, on which it builds that Nest, call'd by the Greeks, Phoinix, and the First Fathers of the Christian Church, as Clem. Rom. Cyril. Ambr. Epiphan. Sec. speaks of it as an Emblem of the Resurrection.



EMBLEM LV.

REPENTANCE.

Thea look'ft in vain; turn, turn thy Telescope!

Hark! A Voice chides me for my rash Complaint,

And tells me 'tis her Bus'ness to Repent;

Thro' the inverted Glass her streaming Eye

Beholds fair Truth, that brings the Object nigh;

The Register of Conscience open stands,

Fach Action rated by what Heav'n commands;

Hope spreads her Eagle's Pinions to be gone,

But pious Resolution holds her down:

Arm'd

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Arm'd with Eternal Truth, she breaks her Way From Nature's Gloom, to bright Ætherial Day: No rifing Storms, no threatning Tempest fears, But reaps in Transport, what she fow'd in Tears. Go on, Brave Heroine, pursue thy Choice, The Heart that's penitent is always wife; Fear not the Prospect, tho' it wound thy Soul: Adam more justly trembl'd at his Fall; His Crime no Balm of fweet Repentance knew, Death's hideous Form was ever in his View. Repentance then was scarce on Nature rose; Repentance, which the Path of Mercy shews; But thy past Crimes with weeping Eyes review'd. Thy pious Soul bath'd in the cleanfing Flood, Drive back Despair, Devotion's Warmth inspire, And fill thy glowing Breast with soft Cælestial Fire: Nature laments with Transport when she sees Mercy dawn round her, and Eternal Peace.





EMBLEM LVI.

PATIENCE.

HAT mean those weighty Chains? Can Guilt be there,

Where every Thought is Heav'n, and ev'ry Sigh a Pray'r?

Where Grace and Peace and true Contentment join, And ev'ry Feature speaks the Soul Divine? So (a) bound to Mercy by Love's facred Ties, Lost Man forgets to mourn: All hail! Thou wise Eternal Spirit! By whose great Decree Chain'd to thy Cross by Faith we follow Thee:

JESU,

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TESU, thy copy'd Excellence is here, I know Thee well, my Soul's all holy Fear; I burn with Transport when I view thy Form, And pay just Adoration to the Charm: PATIENCE, Almighty Innocence! like Thee And thy (b) pure Worlds, from ruffling Tempests free. Rapt in her own Perfection, fees and knows Whence Heav'n-born Hope to Human Frailty rose: Nature's eternal Calm invests her Soul, She has no Passions, or they gently roll; Like Ev'ning Breezes, which scarce seem to move, Her Thoughts all Harmony, her Breast all Love; Peace dwells in Safety there, Religion reigns, And Heav'n its indifputed Sway maintains; There Faith is stedfast, Piety sincere, She feels no Horror, nor the knows no Fear.

NOTES to EMBLEM LVI.

(a) Bound to Mercy — That is, lay'd under the indispensible Obligations of Religion, so call'd a religando, from binding the Soul of Man to God.

(b) Pure Worlds, &cc —So Aristotle de Cwlo, speaking of what is Above in the Heavens, says, Such Things are liable to no Change, nor subject to no Passions, but in a continual Eteroity of Being enjoy the best and most persect Life: So Seneca says, Every Thing Above is calm and pure, and free from Perturbation; and Lucan, Pacem furning above.





EMBLEM LVII.

FORTITUDE.

OW brave she stands? How calm the Virgin smiles?

Just and serene, and stedfast as the Rock; She fears nor angry Man, nor artful Wiles,

Nor trembles at the rending Thunder Stroke: Not prowling Tygers hunting for their Prey,

Not burning Mountains, from whose glowing Womb

Sulphureous Clouds obscure the chearful Day,
And streaming Deaths in flaming Torrents run,
Can

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Can check the mantling Blood, which ever glows
On her fair Cheek; nor strike the conscious Thrill
To her big Heart; the Law of Heav'n she knows,
And bows, unmov'd, obedient to its Will.
Earth and its short-liv'd Glories trampl'd down,
Heav'n is her Choice, and Heav'n's Almighty Love;
Thence flow her Joys, her Transports and her Crown,
By (a) missive Seraphs brought from Realms Above:

Her Guardian Angel tends her fragrant Bow'r,

A Ray of Sacred Light adorns the Place; She knows no Crime, nor fears ev'n Hell's dark Pow'r, But treads fecure the Flow'ry Paths of *Grace*.

True FORTITUDE is Heav'n's first Excellence, GOD's Sacred Image in the Human Mind:

A Beam of pure Divinity dispens'd, To tinge our Nature with a Power Divine.

NOTE to EMBLEM LVII.

(a) Missive Seraphs — That is, Angels, so call'd from Angello, to send, being the Ministers and Messengers of Heaven's Almighty Will to Man, as we read in Heb. i. 7. He maketh his singels Spiritz, and his Ministers a staming Fire; which would be as well render'd thus, He maketh the Spirits his singels, or Messengers, and the Seraphim his Ministers; the Word Seraph signifying as well a staming Fire as a pure Arberial Spirit burning with the Love of the First Almighty Being.





EMBLEM LVIII. J U S T I C E.

Of Peace and Bleffing to thy equal Law?

Man, without Thee, like Libyan Tygers wild,

Wou'd dwell in Caves, with Blood and Slaughter fill'd;

So (as by Time's dark Records we are told)

Imperial Rome's (a) first Fathers liv'd of Old;

The Mountain Race, by headstrong Nature sway'd,

Nor Man, nor Conscience, nor the Gods obey'd:

So Ishmael's Seed, the wild Arabian Band,

Scour the vast Desarts o'er the glowing Sand;

Hungry

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Hungry for Prey, the burning Paths they try,
Live void of Laws, and void of Conscience die:
Tho' Heav'n's fair Image Man's proud Nature boast,
Wanting thy wholesome Terrors, still we're lost;
Thy slaming Sword deters the harden'd Boor
From Scenes of Blood, and checks the Crimes of
Pow'r;

Thy Ballance duly weighs our vain Defigns,
And shews us to ourselves: In Thee we find
The Charms of Government, and Social Ties,
The Guard of Virtue, and the Scourge of Vice;
Like pure Ætherial Fire, you try the Heart,
Cleanse it from Sin, and make the Conscience smart;
By Thee Ambition sleeps, Wars cease to rage,
And Peace and Plenty crown a vicious Age.

NOTE on EMBLEM LVIII.

(a) Rome's first Fathers—The Aborigines of Italy, or rather Approuganoi, a Race of Mountain Iroglodytes, like the Athiopian Suhiim, living in Dens and Caves on the Sides of Mountains, as we read of Cacus, Polyphemus, and others of those dark Times. They are generally thought to have been a Colony, or rather Offcast, of the Pelassi, brought from Arcadia by Oenotrus, or Janus, the Son of Lycaon; which Pelassi were of that Iroglodyte Race, as I have shewn in Emblem XLIII. Notes (a) and (q): Tho' others think 'em more ancient, as being some of the Fugitive Canaanites drove out by Joshua, who sled to all the Sea-Coastson both Sides the Mediterranean, a Pillar in Memory of their Expulsion being found near Hippo on the Afric Shore; and this the rather, because Aborigenos in the Greek, and the Term Pelassi utels also is of the same Phanician Stock, signifying a scatter'd and divided People; of which Race it is by most allow'd the second Dynasty of Agyptian Pastors, call'd, for Distinction's Sake, Phanicians were,

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EMBLEM LIX.

The LAST AUTUMN.

AKE, fleepy Soul! Th'Eternal Autumn comes,

The Lab'rers have begun to clear the Trees,

And gather Souls to their Eternal Homes,
Awake and hear! What startling Sounds are these?

See how the Evil Angel toils to heap

His weighty Sack, and crams the Windfalls in; Fruits, whose weak Stems cou'd not their Station keep,

But fell, unripen'd, with the Blasts of Sin:

But, O! how few the Heav'nly Seraph finds, And pulls 'em gently with a tender Care;

Such

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Such as have stood the rough tempestuous Winds, And ripen'd calmly in the soft sweet Air: Alas, how very few! A little Plate,

A fmall neat Paten, holds th'Almighty's Share; 'Tis well the Harvest is deferr'd 'till late,

Or else no Golden Fruit had rip'n'd there.

Haste, Holy Being, pull the Sacred Store,

The Tempest hurries on, sad Nature mourns, Time and its rolling Periods are no more,

The Mountains tremble, and the Æther burns; Scarce one short Moment more the Autumn lasts,

MESSIAH'S Trumpet founds; the Day is come, Bear what thou'st gather'd to Eternal Rest,

And leave th'unripen'd Wildings to their Doom. Yet there is Mercy; Mercy, LORD, bestow,

'Twas boundless Mercy first our Nature rais'd; The Stream is endless, let it ever flow,

And Myriads of poor Souls shall sing thy Praise.





EMBLEM LX.

PERSEVERANCE.

That leads triumphant to those Realms of Day;
Pursue the Golden Path, behold the Crown,
Leave this lost World, and That and Heav'n's thy own:
See, the Veil opens, all the Æther glows,
And trembling Nature at the Prospect bows;
Almighty Being endless Depths proclaim,
And Floods of Glory fill th'Immortal Name;
There dazzling Beams break from the vast Abyss,
There Angels triumph in Eternal Bliss,

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There Effence flows in Everlasting Rays, There Glory never fades, nor Life decays: Serabbic Visions endless Joys inspire, · All there is Excellence and pure Defire: The ravish'd Soul her Great Creator knows, And thence Immortal from the Transport grows: The Way is easy to that Blest Abode, Mark'd by the Steps of a Redeeming GOD: Ting'd with his Sacred Blood in Crimfon Streams, And strew'd all o'er with holy Martyrs Names, Enlighten'd by his Love and their bright Flames: When these you see, the Sacred Track pursue. And keep you dazzling Glories in your View; Repent, be stedfast, from Pollution clear, Preserve the Faith, be humble and sincere. Be meek, be patient, pray, and perfevere. Hope speaks the rest! I feel, I feel the Charm. 'Tis Heav'n with all its Joys; Nature grows warm With the Almighty Transport; Heav'n, I'm thine. O Thou First Being! Let thy Spirit shine In my unworthy Soul! O feal me for thy own! Give me thy Cross, Dear LORD, and I'll not fear thy Crown!

FINIS.

A D D E N D A.

O Emblem X. Note (f) — Not but the Baal Aritz, or Haritz, of the Chaldee System seems to have been the Source both of the Greek Ares and Roman Mars; Aritz, or Haritz, signifying Powerful, Tremendous, Strong, Potent, &c. and Maritz, from the same Radix, is the same as Pawor in Latin; from which two Words the Names

Ares and Mars are eafily deriv'd.

To Emblem XXIII. Note (c)—Thence call'd Man, from the Hebrew Mun, which fignifies Figure, Image, Likeness, Species intelligibilis, &c. as does also his Original Name Adam, the Word Adamah in Hebrew being the same with Similitudo in Latin, and so us'd by Moses on that very Occasion, as deriv'd from Damah, assimilare, to make or exhibit any Thing in the Likeness of another; so also feremiah, Hosea, and others of the Prophets, use it in the same Sense.

As to the trifling Criticism some have made upon the Supposition of a false Quantity in the Word Clymene, in Emblem XV. let'em know, the Accent in the Greek Word is not on the first, but second Syllable; and all Greek Words, which come to us entire, retain their Accent, says Danessus; which certainly ought to give the Tonic Emphasis to that Syllable, and not to the first, both being equally short Syllables, and the Accent no way affecting Quantity, but Emphasis, especially in English Poetry, which being only Oratory confin'd to Numbers, is within the Force of another Rule of Danessus, in his Prosodia, Poeta, ut plurimum metri rationem habuerunt, oratores autem aures, secuti sunt. And A. Gellius, in his Nocles Attica, is of the same Opinion.



The READER is defir'd to correct the following Mistakes with his Pen.

MB. I. Note (h), l. 17, for Mercury, read Thyoth.

Emb. III. Note (g), l. ult. for Emb. VII. read Emb. XXII.

and Note (0), l. 14, for is begot, read has begot.

Emb. IX. Note (h), 1. 14, for accounted, read anointed.

Emb. X. Note (b), l. 17, read Chamah and Chamanim----and Note (e), l. 11, for ennuontos, read eniontos; and for Ennyalius, read Enialius or Enyalius, from enuo perimo, & als, oceanus; and Note (w), read Marius.

Emb. XIII. 1. 17, for The Loss, read The Want.

Emb. XX. 1. penult. for Truths, read Tracks.

Emb. XXII. Note (b), 1.8, read Anaxagoras's----and Note (e),

1. 9, read Pf. civ. 3.

Emb. XXVI. Note (a), 1. 7, put a Comma after Ofiris---- and Note (d), 1. 12, after inquiro, add, or rather from the Hebrew Pithhon apertura, a pathah aperire.

Emb. XXVII. Note (a), l. 1, for Emb. VII. read Emb. XXII.

Emb. XXX. Page 90, l. 17, for sometimes affect, read cant sometimes in----and l. 22, read assume--- and at the End of Note (h), Pag. 93, add, The Word Cynosura being derived from the Chaldee Chuneshera, signifying verticullum, umbilicus; and thence us'd to denote the Polar Star, or Axis of the World.

Emb. XXXIII. Note (a), 1. 2, read Magellanica.

Emb. XXXIV. Note (c), l. 2, for Spirit, read Spirit's.

Emb. XXXV. Note (g), l. 8, read Sonorus.

Emb. XXXVI. 1. 11, for Foam-like, read Foam like----and Note (a), 1. 6, read Incantation----and Note (b), 1. 5, for included, read intended---and at the End of Note (e), add, Some derive Cypris from Kuprizo wenusté germino---and Note (h), 1. penult. read Talismans.

Emb. XL. 1. 10, for hallow'd, read sacred. Emb. XLI. Note (b), 1. 4, for Sun's, read Son's.

Emb. XLIV. 1. 25, for Voice, read Choice---and Note (b), 1. 4. read Sum.

Emb. XLVIII. Note (b), 1.7, read Sibyllam----and Note (g), 1.4, for fay, read faw----and 1.7, read Balaam.

Emb. L. Note (1), dele logetico.

Emb. LIII. Note (a), 1. 6, fome read it Abbnvruhhkds, with the

Conjunction ve--- and Note (e), I. ult. for Ovid, read Virgil.

Emb. LIV. at the End of the Note, add, Phoinix also fignifies that Kind of Purple which was usually call'd the Tyrian Dye; from whence some think the Name of this Bird to be derived, from a Parity of Colour.

In the Addenda, 1. 10, for Similitudo, read Similitudinem proponam.



ERRATA.

EMblem III. Note (g), Line ult. and Emb. XXVII. Note (a), l. 1, for Emb. VII. read Emb. XXII. Emb. IX. Not. (h), l. 14, for accounted, r. anointed. Emb. X. Not. (b), l. 17, r. Chamah and Chamanim; and Not. (w), r. Marius. Emb. XX. l. penult. for Truths, r. Tracks. Emb. XXII. Not. (b), l. 8, r. Anaxagoras's; and Not. (e), l. 9, r. Pf. civ. 3. Emb. XXVII. Not. (a), l. 7, put a Comma after Ofiris. Emb. XXXIII. Not. (a), l. 2, read Magellanica. Emb. XXXIV. Not. (c), l. 2, for Spirit, r. Spirit's. Emb. XXXVI. l. 11, r. Foam like; and Not. (a), l. 6, r. Incantations. Emb. XL. l. 10, for Hallow'd, r. Sacred. Emb. XLIV. l. 25, for Voice, r. Choice; and Not. (b), l. 4, for Sam. r. Sum. Emb. L. Not. l. 10, dele Logetico.

